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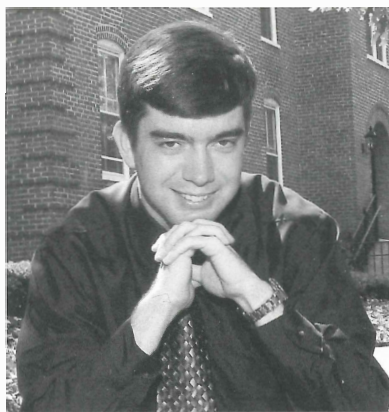
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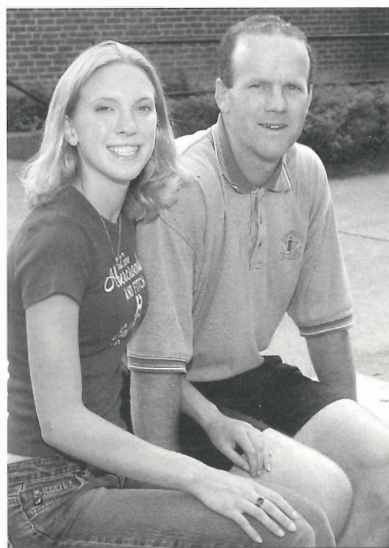
The Philosophical Approach

Christopher B. Collins, '03, has brought distinction to himself and to Bridgewater College as a recent winner of a Jack Kent Cooke Graduate Scholarship. For the next five or six years, he will quench his intellectual curiosity studying philosophy at the University of Virginia.

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Photography by Tommy Thompson



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As chief executive officer of the West Houston Medical Center, Jeffrey Holland, '73, leads his employees with compassion and humor. With this strategy, he earns their loyalty and commitment to providing top-notch service for the center's patients.

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Head football coach Michael Clark is losing his sideline shadow this fall. His daughter, Erin, who has carried the coach's headset cord during his tenure with the Eagles, is all grown up and leaving the nest.

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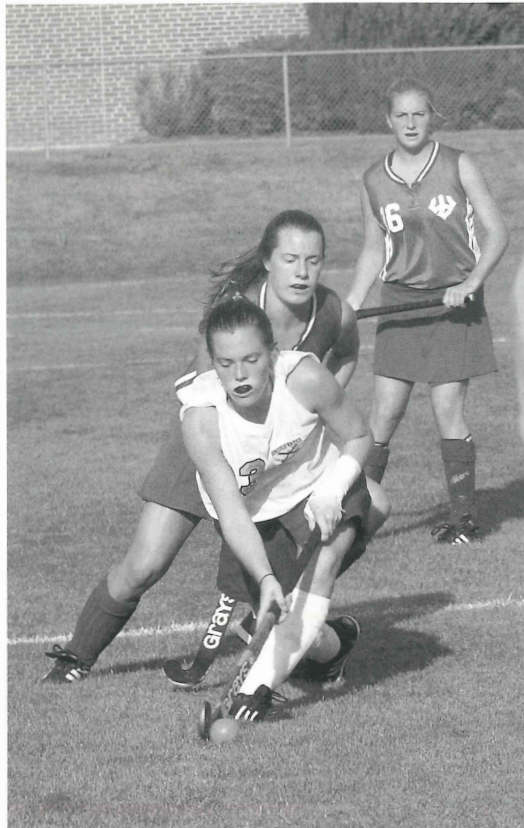
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Senior Elisa Anderson, one of BC's members of the ODAC All-Academic Team, in a 2002 season match-up against rival Washington & Lee.



Bridgewater Athletes Earn High Marks

Many of Bridgewater's student-athletes are as competitive in the classroom as they are on the playing field. The Eagles were the second-highest represented group on the Old Dominion Athletic Conference's All-Academic Team for the 2002-2003 academic year, with 110 Bridgewater athletes making the cut. These students represent 25.8 percent of Bridgewater's athletes.

"We are very fortunate to have student-athletes who work hard to achieve high standards both in the classroom and on the playing field," says Bridgewater athletic director Curt Kendall. "These honors speak well for our student-athletes and for our athletic program."

During the 2002-2003 academic year, the ODAC honored 895 student-athletes from its 14 member schools. To be selected for the All-Academic Team, the athletes must earn a GPA of 3.25 or higher for the academic year. ■

Fund Raising Results

Though the national headlines for the U.S. economy have been dismal in the past year, Bridgewater College enjoyed a successful fund-raising year during the 2002-2003 fiscal year, generating nearly \$3.5 million in contributions.

Increases were seen this year in major gift totals and gift annuities, with a combined total of \$739,953. The Annual Fund, comprising gifts of less than \$25,000, brought in over \$900,000. More than 2,700 individual donors, including alumni, parents of students and alumni, faculty, staff and friends, contributed to the Annual Fund, which primarily covers actual operational expenses that are not met by tuition payments. Many Bridgewater and Harrisonburg area businesses also give to the fund each year. The Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges gave \$139,572 as its annual gift to the College.

"We're quite pleased that the unrestricted giving this past fiscal year totaled \$1.6 million, which exceeded our budget by almost \$300,000," said vice president for institutional advancement Charles Scott. "While each gift is significant, the unrestricted gifts from donors are extremely beneficial to the institution, because it's those monies that help us meet the demands of the operating budget." ■

Cross-Cultural Volunteer

Elizabeth Sellers ventured to Thailand for six weeks of her summer break. But the senior psychology and communication studies major wasn't on a vacation — she was a volunteer at a facility for young girls who have been rescued from the sex-trade industry, drug problems or poverty.

Through Cross-Cultural Solutions (a non-profit organization) and with funding assistance from a grant, Sellers worked at Kredtrakarn, located near Bangkok in the province of Chanburi. The facility houses up to 550 girls, aged eight to 18 years, and provides counseling services and life skills training. After a year or two in the program, girls leave the facility having learned a specialized skill that can help provide a living, such as soap making, weaving, foot massage and hair styling.

For Sellers, the experience was eye opening, and often very sad. Many of the girls were mothers — she recalls one eight-year-old who had a baby. Some of the girls were from other countries, including Laos, Cambodia and Malaysia, and they could not speak Thai or English. Most did not want to be in the center, as many were brought in by police after a raid. “You could always spot the new girls because they had such sad looks in their eyes,” Sellers says. “... These young girls looked so sad, when they should have been out playing house, not in a government facility on an island with a guard.”

Along with working at Kredtrakarn, Sellers spent some time at a nearby orphanage, where many of the children were “stuck” because their parents couldn't (or wouldn't) care for them, or they couldn't be adopted due to legal red tape. She describes that experience as “heartbreaking.” She also spent time with patients at an HIV and AIDS hospice.



courtesy - sellers

Left: Elizabeth Sellers and a fellow volunteer, Prima Gonzales from California, try on decorative masks while visiting flower gardens in Thailand.

Below: Sellers displays souvenirs from Thailand. The cloth on her lap was made by some of the Kredtrakarn girls and given to Sellers as a good-bye gift. The girls learn to make these decorative cloths and sell them to earn money.



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At Kredtrakarn, Sellers assisted with most of the daily activities, which included art therapy and games, and shadowed one of the psychologists. Despite the language barrier, she communicated with the girls through drawings and by using an English-Thai dictionary and pointing out words. Sellers never quite mastered the Thai language, but she did take lessons, leading to some humorous moments. “At one lesson,” she recalls, “I tried to say ‘I do not speak Thai,’ but I ended up saying, ‘I am a Thai pig.’”

Because of the facility's confidentiality policy, Sellers can't share specific stories about the girls. She did make special connections with two clients and learned much about the Thai culture. “I learned to have an open mind and an open heart about anything,” she says. “And to really try

to understand.” At first, for example, she couldn't fathom why parents would send their children to work in the sex-trade industry, but then she realized that many of the situations came about due to naiveté and a lack of education.

Sellers, who had never even been on an airplane before college, has sought out international experiences while a student at Bridgewater. After studying abroad in Greece last year, she became hooked on traveling. “College has taught me so much more than book work.” ■ kdb



College Relations Division Opens

As the College continues steady growth, efforts to enhance its name recognition and image will be coordinated by a new division: the Office of College Relations. Dr. Karen W. Wigginton, vice president for college relations, will oversee the division. In addition to developing a comprehensive marketing plan for the College, she also will direct the High School Leadership Academy and the Zane D. Showker Leadership Institute.

Before joining Bridgewater's staff this summer, Wigginton was vice president for marketing and public relations at Sunnyside Communities in Harrisonburg, where she developed and implemented a marketing strategy for the institution's three retirement communities. She also served for more than 10 years as the director of the Small Business Development Center at James Madison University.

Wigginton earned a bachelor of arts degree in journalism and a master's degree in educational research from Radford University. She earned a doctor of education degree in higher education administration from the University of Virginia, where she concentrated in leadership and policy studies.

The new college relations team is now housed together in the Carter Center for Worship and Music, on the second floor behind the balcony. In addition to Dr. Wigginton, the staff includes Karen Doss Bowman, director of media relations and editor of *Bridgewater Magazine*; Roberta Byerly, director of print design services; Mary K. Heatwole, assistant in media relations; Sandra Hottel, secretary for alumni and church relations; and Ellen K. Layman, director of alumni and church relations. The mailing address for these offices is College Box 180, Bridgewater College, Bridgewater, VA 22812-1599. The fax number is 540-828-5780. ■

New Faculty

2003-2004 Academic Year

Dr. Ben Chappell, assistant professor of sociology; PhD, University of Texas at Austin

Dr. Patricia Clark, visiting assistant professor of history and political science; PhD, University of Illinois

Thomas Fachtel, assistant professor of business administration; MBA, University of Virginia

Dr. Richard S. Fogarty, assistant professor of history; PhD, University of California, Santa Barbara

Scott D. Jost, associate professor of art; MFA, University of Minnesota

Dr. Julia Centurión Morton, assistant professor of foreign languages; PhD, Georgetown University

Dr. Kenneth S. Overway, assistant professor of chemistry; PhD, Purdue University

Dr. Denise Polk, assistant professor of communication studies; PhD, Kent State University

Dr. Terri Russ, visiting assistant professor of communication studies; PhD, Purdue University

Karen L. Swortzel, assistant professor of education; MEd, Mary Baldwin College

Larry C. Taylor, assistant professor of music; PhD expected in 2003 from the University of Cincinnati's Conservatory of Music

Dr. Lori A. Gano-Overway, instructor in health and exercise science; PhD, Michigan State University

Additionally, **Holly A. Caldwell**, former adjunct faculty member, has been named visiting assistant professor of business administration, and **Richard Reitzma** is returning for a second year as visiting assistant professor of foreign languages. ■

Student Submits Design for WTC Gardens

By Jeff Mellott, *Daily News-Record* Staff Writer

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Nathan Miller II of Bridgewater is undaunted.

Miller, 19, recently submitted, with team member architect John Sease of Harrisonburg, a proposal for the World Trade Center Memorial Garden.

The contest rules do not allow Miller or Sease to disclose the details of the design Miller developed. Sease provided the computer graphics to ready the design for submission. "I hope someone will feel inspired by it," Miller said.

Spiritual Connection

Miller's submission is his way of responding to the September 2001 tragedy. Terrorists flying jetliners crashed into the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Passengers in another jet struggled with hijackers, causing the plan to crash in Pennsylvania.

A [sophomore] at Bridgewater College, Miller found out about the contest while surfing the Web. "I wanted to do something because I was spiritually involved," he said.

He began to sketch. As he drew more and more, key elements began to become clearer for his idea for the memorial garden. "It was part of me giving something of myself to the memorial. There is a spiritual draw that led me to this conception."

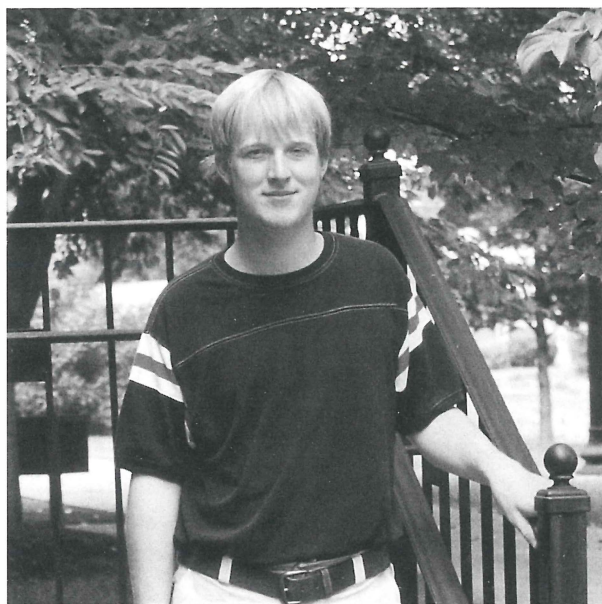
Sacred Arena

The memorial is to be a peaceful and reflective place, according to the guidelines. "The whole project is about creating a place where the families of the victims can go because at this point they really don't have a place to go," Miller said.

The guidelines also require the design of the 4.7-acre area to be compatible to the winning trade center rebuilding concept by Daniel Libeskind. The memorial garden site will encompass the "footprints" of the trade towers.

Aspiring Artist

The memorial garden is not to be built, Miller said, until 2006. That is when Miller expects to graduate from Bridgewater College. He is preparing to make a living by studying environmental science. But art is his true love. Miller, who paints, sculpts and draws, aspires to having his work appear in professional gallery exhibits.



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Some of his work already appears in Harrisonburg's downtown. He painted the mural across from the Massanutten Regional Library on South Main Street. He has done other murals for the Bridgewater IGA and the United Methodist Church in Bridgewater, where he attends.

One in 13,000

Miller is enthusiastic and passionate about his memorial garden design. "You can tell he has given it a great deal of thought," Sease said. The architect said it was only a matter of giving the design scale and perspective and depth, which was accomplished in Sease's office.

The artist said his entry is one of some 13,000 registered from more than 90 countries. "I knew my chances were slim," Miller said of his chances of winning. "You could still get some recognition," he said. "I think about it from time to time. I pray."

Editorial Update: Since this article was published, Miller says that 5,200 designs were submitted for the contest. Five designs will be selected in September, with the finalist being announced before the end of the year. Miller said in August that he's been "chomping at the bit" while waiting for the results. ■

Shooting for Gold

By Mary K. Heatwole

Bill Naylor follows his own advice to senior citizens: "Just be active." At the age of 75, he regularly competes in three-on-three basketball at the national level. In June, Naylor's team won the gold medal for the 75 and over division at the National Senior Games, also known as the Senior Olympics, held in Hampton, Va.

To win the gold medal, Naylor and his teammates, who call themselves the "Tom Scott Tar Heels," played five 20-minute, half-court games in two days. The national games involve over 10,000 athletes, and 180 men's basketball teams participated.

Finding enough team members to compete with at that age can be difficult, so although the 1952 graduate lives in Boiling Springs, N.C., he plays with a West Virginia team that he learned to know at previous games. Naylor says West Virginia is a natural fit since he earned his master's degree in physical education from West Virginia University and lived in the state for over seven years.

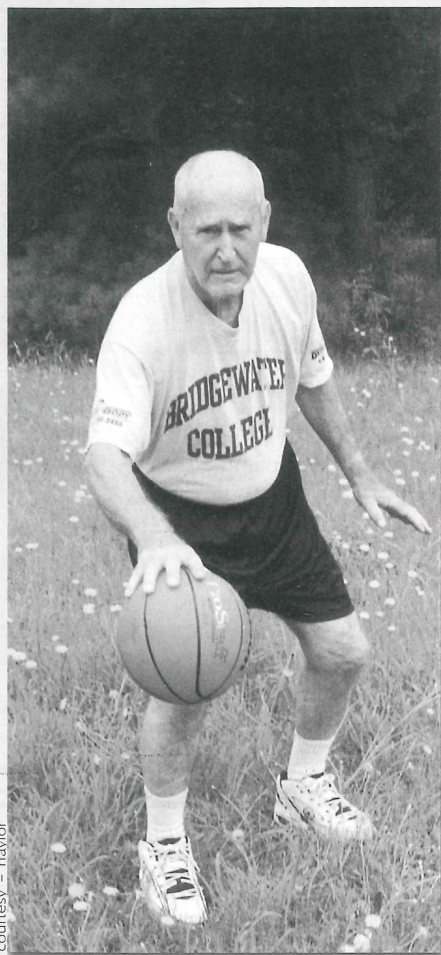
Getting ready for competition rests more on the individual since team members do not live near each other. For several weeks prior to the games, Naylor carries a basketball with him everywhere he goes, shooting hoops at every opportunity he gets. The team had one practice together in Shepherdstown, W.Va., before playing in the national games, and Naylor — a former Eagles hoopster — stopped at Nininger Hall in Bridgewater to shoot a few baskets on his way through town.

This is not Naylor's first gold medal. His first came when he played basketball in the 65 to 70 age bracket for South Carolina at the 1993 National Senior Games held in Baton Rouge, La. In 1989, Naylor began competing in the games, which are held every other year, and as long as there is an age group for him, he says he will continue to compete. The 2005 games will be held in Pittsburgh, and Naylor and his West Virginia teammates look forward to defending the title.

Naylor also competes in tennis and swimming events at both the state and national level, as long as they do not conflict with basketball, his first love.

Basketball has always been in Naylor's blood, and he has found many ways to incorporate the sport into his lifestyle. A former assistant professor of health and physical education at Campbell College, Naylor has coached basketball in Cuba, the Dominican Republic and Jamaica. He earned his Ph.D. in physical education in 1970 from Southern Mississippi University.

Naylor is already looking forward to his next competition — the North Carolina state hard court tennis championships in Raleigh in October.



courtesy - naylor

Summer Scholarship

For some Bridgewater students, scholarly work continues during summer break. Several students spent much of their summer engaged in scientific research on campus.

Senior Michael Donovan and junior Eric Nolley worked with biology professor Dr. Robyn Puffenbarger, assisting with research for her project, "Cannabinoid Receptor Expression in Macrophages." The project is funded by a grant from the Thomas F. and Kate Miller Jeffress Memorial Trust and includes funding for the students' summer research internship.

Puffenbarger is examining how the macrophages, the body's first cells to attack invading bacteria, respond to cannabinoids, the chemicals in marijuana that cause the "high" sensation. She is studying how the receptor levels change within these cells when cannabinoids are introduced and how those receptor levels are controlled.

Donovan and Nolley, working full time for nine weeks, spent their time subcloning a piece of DNA — taking a large piece and extracting the specific smaller pieces that are needed for the project. For his senior honors project during the current academic year, Donovan will study the pieces of DNA he helped create and attempt to determine their function.

Cloning can be "fickle," with varying results, Puffenbarger says, so the students quickly learned that "Science is not a cookbook." The summer research experience is valuable for students, she says, because "There are only a few opportunities during the school year for students to see what real research is like. That is, to say I'm going to ask a question and design an experiment around that question."

Both students will present their findings at the November meeting of

the Virginia Branch of the American Society of Microbiology.

Donovan says the experience was rewarding because it helped him focus more clearly on his career goals. He entered college with ambitions of attending medical school, but after completing the internship, he's interested in the research field as well. Now he's considering a joint M.D/Ph.D. program.

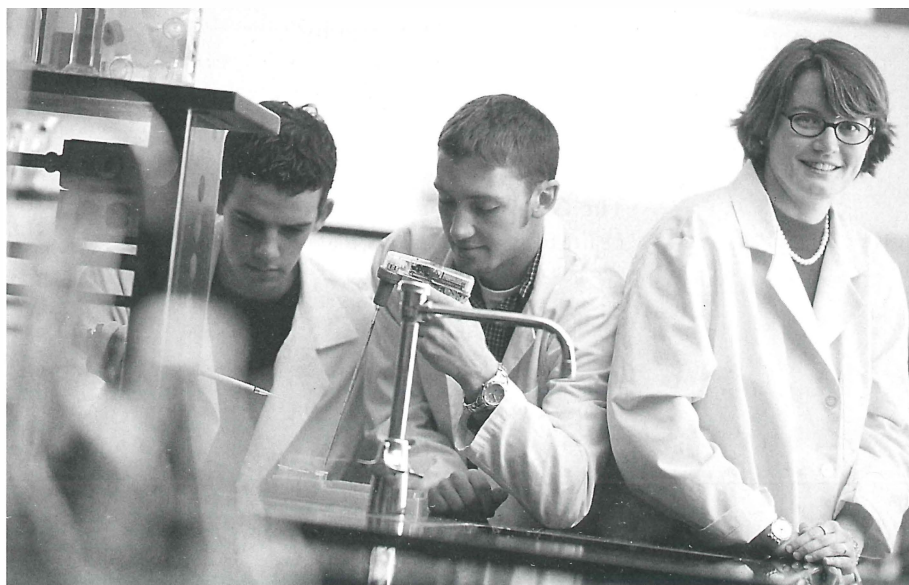
"I think this kind of experience should be offered in all departments," he says.

Two other students received funding for their summer research projects from the Science Research Program of the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges. Junior Shannon Ports worked with Dr. Brian Kelley, chair of the psychology department, to study the influence of nicotine on alcohol tolerance in mice. She will present her findings at a national conference in Arizona later this year.

Senior Kathleen Mitchell worked with Barbara H. Long, professor of health and exercise science and head athletic trainer, on her research project,

"Silicone Gel Products and Scar Integrity," examining the effectiveness of over-the-counter scar healing products such as Johnson & Johnson's Band-Aid Scar Patch and Curad's Scar Management. ■ kdb

Eric Nolley (left) and Michael Donovan worked closely with biology professor Dr. Robyn Puffenbarger this summer. They subcloned a DNA particle, extracting smaller pieces that are needed for her Jeffress grant-funded research project.



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ARTS & EVENTS

BRIDGEWATER COLLEGE
Bridgewater, Virginia

September 29 – October 29

No Iris or Tulips

Sculptural and functional ceramic art by Lexington, Va., artist Bee Zwart.

Miller Art Gallery

Kline Campus Center

September 30

A Recital of Firsts

Pianist and faculty member Larry Clark Taylor opens the 2003-04 concert season with a solo recital.

Tuesday, 8 p.m.

Carter Center

October 7

BC Symphonic Band

Tuesday, 8 p.m.

Carter Center

October 18

BC Chorale and Jazz Band

Join the Homecoming festivities and enjoy this showcase of student talent.

Saturday, 7:30 p.m.

Carter Center

October 21

Emmanuel Hocdé, organ

Emmanuel Hocdé is the winner of the 2002 Grand Prix de Chartres. He is the organist at the Church of St. Eloi in Paris and professor of music at several Paris schools.

\$10 adults/\$7seniors, students, children

Tickets sold only at the door beginning at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, 8 p.m.

Cole Hall

November 3 – 19

Student Show: Photography

Black and white images by Dawn Hanes, Sara Huffman and Beth Eller.

Miller Art Gallery

Kline Campus Center

November 6 – 9

The Good Doctor — A Play with Music

Featuring the BC Pinion Players

Comedy master Neil Simon reworks Anton Chekhov's classic tales with often humorous, and occasionally bitter-sweet, results.

\$6 adults/\$5 seniors, students, children

For reservations, call (540) 828-8000 or log onto www.bridgewater.edu/performances beginning three weeks prior to the opening performance.

Thursday – Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m.

Cole Hall

November 23

BC Symphonic Band

Sunday, 3 p.m.

Carter Center

November 24 – December 19

Valley Apples

Digitally enhanced photographic images by art faculty member, Scott Jost.

Miller Art Gallery

Kline Campus Center

December 3

BC Jazz Band

Wednesday, 8 p.m.

Cole Hall

December 6 – 7

A Bridgewater Christmas

Music for Choirs, Instruments and Audience

Featuring the Bridgewater College Oratorio Choir, Handbell Choir and Brass Ensemble.

Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m.

Carter Center

January 5 – February 4

Still Life

An exhibition of rich, still life oil paintings by Staunton, Va., artist Cleveland Morris.

Miller Art Gallery

Kline Campus Center

February 9 – March 10

Gallery as Art

Richmond artist Fred McGann transforms the Miller Gallery into a visual experience.

Miller Art Gallery

Kline Campus Center

February 10

National Spiritual Ensemble

Nothing touches the depths of the soul or connects with its yearnings more than the Negro spirituals. This group's captivating performances of these uniquely American songs never fail to touch audiences' hearts.

\$10 adults/\$7seniors, students, children

Tickets sold only at the door beginning at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, 8 p.m.

Carter Center

February 22

BC Symphonic Band

Sunday, 3 p.m.

Carter Center

Life in the Discovery Zone

By Karen Doss Bowman, '91

During her seven years as a legislative aide to Virginia Senator Emmett Hanger, **Holly Wyatt Herman, '93**, has had to learn a little information about a wide range of subjects. Every day, she says she deals with “a whole smattering of issues” that affect constituents, and she must be prepared to address them intelligently. Topics such as tax restructuring, protecting the environment, standards of learning in education and the avian influenza outbreak that recently wreaked havoc on the state’s poultry industry.

She was surprised during the past year, however, when she had to learn about bear hunting. The state’s Department of Game and Inland Fisheries had established new regulations with input from the General Assembly, she explains. “In order for me to answer constituents’ questions, I had to have all these conversations about bear hunting and bear trapping.”

An art major and communication studies minor at Bridgewater, Herman’s diverse interests and studies were excellent preparation for a job that requires her to continually learn new things. Prior to joining Hanger’s office, Herman worked as a reporter and news director for Harrisonburg’s ABC affiliate, WHSV. “I’ve taken a lot of that same [experience of] information-gathering and spitting it back out to the public.”

Despite the “frantic” pace of politics — especially the three months out of each year that she lives in Richmond during the General Assembly session — Herman finds her job rewarding and challenging. As Hanger’s only staff member, she fulfills a variety of tasks, from mediating with lobbyists and writing speeches to sitting on local boards on the senator’s behalf. On a daily basis, she works closely with the people of her community and tries to help them resolve problems. “I [handle] anything from, if a woman can’t get her husband to pay child support to a little old lady who can’t get her lights fixed,” she says.

Herman isn’t sure if she’ll continue behind-the-scenes work in politics, or if she’ll run for office someday. Last year, she was a Fellow at the University of Virginia’s Thomas C. Sorensen Institute for Political Leadership, which provides education on civics-related topics. She describes the institute as “a non-partisan, grassroots effort of getting the involvement of people back in their communities.”

Herman and her husband, Randy, live on a beef cattle farm in New Hope, Va. A former Pinion Player at Bridgewater, she also continues to exert her dramatic flair by doing local television and radio ads. She was an extra in the recent motion picture, “Gods and Generals.”

Between her job, which presents new challenges and insights almost every day, and the beef cattle farm, where she doesn’t actually farm but loves to observe, Herman says, “It feels like life is a Discovery Channel.”

With her first baby due in November, there certainly will be more discoveries on the horizon.



Holly Wyatt Herman

Class of 2007 Profile

Statistics as of Aug. 29, 2003

On August 30, the second largest freshman class in Bridgewater College history moved into the residence halls, with a little help from the Eagles We-Haul alumni troops.

Meet the newest set of Eagles:

- Number of men: 177
- Number of women: 218
- **Total freshmen: 395**
- Number who graduated in the top 5% of their high school classes: 35
- Number who graduated in the top 10% of their high school classes: 64
- Number of valedictorians: 5
- Number of freshmen from Virginia: 310
- Other states represented:
Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Iowa, Maryland, Massachusetts, North Carolina, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Washington, West Virginia.
- Foreign countries represented:
Bulgaria, Yugoslavia
- Some of their most popular extra-curricular activities include: *volunteer organizations, work, church youth groups, National Honor Society, student government*
- Number receiving President's Merit Academic and ACE Scholarships: 205
- Church of the Brethren members: 11%

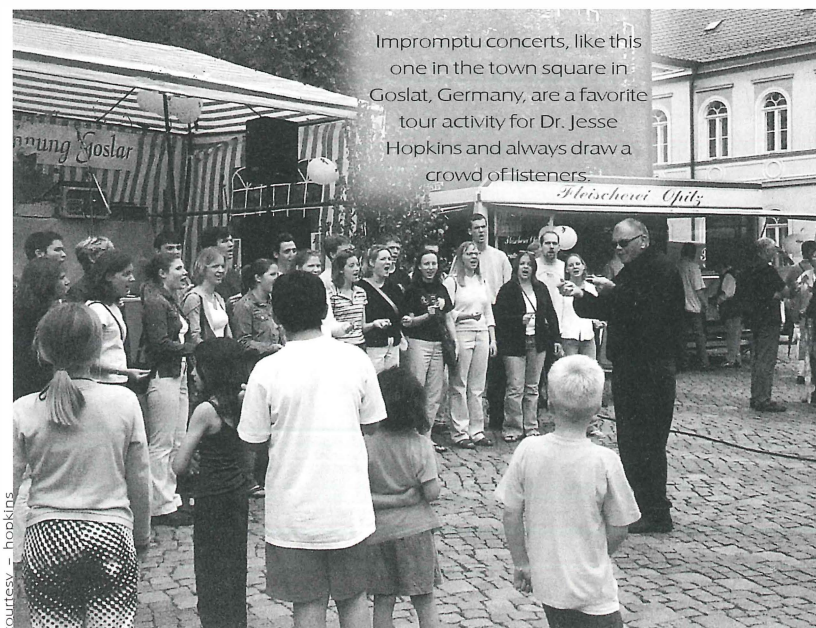
Making Music – Touching Hearts

The Bridgewater College Chorale took its fifth international tour this spring, traveling throughout Germany and performing concerts from May 21 to 30. Chorale member and accompanist Jonathan Emmons, '05, shares a few of his thoughts about the trip.

Most unique about the Chorale tour was our choice of concert venues. While choral groups often focus solely on famous landmarks and cathedrals, we also traveled into small communities to share our voices. "It was wonderful to hear the voices reverberate through the vast spaces of the Cologne and Berlin cathedrals," says Dr. Jesse E. Hopkins, the Edwin L. Turner Distinguished Professor of Music, "but in the historic churches of Oestrich-Winkel, Goslar, Golzow and Rothenburg, we experienced both fine acoustics and a chance to gauge the response of our listeners."

Indeed, while the scenery of Western Europe was sublime and the German culture captivating, nothing was more touching than the emotions that were displayed by the hometown audiences. Knowing that our voices had touched them was beyond description. For just as music can bridge the barriers of language, so can the bowing of a head, the simple reflective smile, the sparkle in an onlooker's eye or the welling of tears of uncontrollable joy and emotion. The pastor of St. Martin's Parish, the site of our first concert in Oestrich-Winkel, could hardly find the words to express his feelings of appreciation and indebtedness. A traveler who had driven in search of the church for hours — only to miss our concert in Goslar — was speechless as we sang for him "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" just before departure. A woman spectator at the same performance, who spoke little English, wept as she tried to express her deep gratitude for the experience we had just given her.

As we returned to Bridgewater at the conclusion of our tour, we sang "Bridgewater Fair" one final time. There was no heavenly reverberation, no gilded altar behind us and no applause when we finished, but in our hearts, we felt pride. We felt the power and emotion of the experiences that had embraced us only days, even hours, before. Yes, we had represented BC well. But, more important, we had given of ourselves, sung from our hearts, and enlivened the souls of those who, for a fleeting moment, became our neighbors and our friends. ■



Impromptu concerts, like this one in the town square in Goslar, Germany, are a favorite tour activity for Dr. Jesse Hopkins and always draw a crowd of listeners.

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The Philosophical Approach

By Karen Doss Bowman, '91
Photos by Tommy Thompson

At a recent weekend gathering wondering, "What am I

Included among the scholarship School of Music; a group of med will study economics at Oxford Un

Preceding page: Collins and Lori Riley, '02, celebrate Commencement 2003.



"I felt privileged but humbled at the same time," Collins says. "It's just such an amazing group of talent."

Collins' humility is unfounded. As one of the 43 scholarship winners — selected from 842 applicants — he has proven himself capable and deserving. And his professors at Bridgewater have no doubts about his merits.

"Chris is maybe the most innately brilliant student I've had at Bridgewater," says philosophy and religion professor Steve Watson. "You can't miss the fact that he has an outstanding mind."

Watson first met Collins when the National Merit Scholar was a prospective student exploring all of his college options. A careful evaluator, Collins visited some of Watson's classes before making his decision to attend Bridgewater.

"He didn't disappoint," Watson says. "He's so eclectic in his interests. He was an engaging student from the start. I've watched him grow from his pre-student days to becoming a graduate of enormous potential."

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation scholarship, established through the estate of the former owner of the Washington Redskins and the Chrysler Building in New York City, will provide full funding for Collins' graduate

of all the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Scholars, Chris Collins found himself
going here?" Indeed, the 2003 Bridgewater graduate was in prestigious company.

winners were an opera singer planning to study at the University of Rochester's Eastman
al students from top-notch schools such as Harvard and Johns Hopkins; a woman who
iversity; and a 13-year-old college graduate twice nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

studies. This fall, he enrolled in a
doctoral program in philosophy at the
University of Virginia and has
aspirations of becoming a college
professor.

Though he's pursuing a life of
contemplation through the discipline of
philosophy, Collins also relishes living
life to the fullest. In one of his essays for
the scholarship application, he wrote,
"More than anything else, I value living
a whole life ... seeking a wide range of
experiences ... each giving us a new
perspective on our life." Even his
choices for academic coursework reflect
his diverse interests: The history and
French major minored in physics and
philosophy and religion, and he also
dabbled in art history.

As a student, Collins' academic
prowess was matched by strong
leadership skills outside the classroom.
Collins was a member of the College's
Ethics Bowl team, which earlier this
year won the statewide competition
hosted by the Virginia Foundation for
Independent Colleges. An active
member and officer of the Forensics
and Debate Union, he also served on
the Honor Council and was a member
of several honor societies. He was
president of the campus chapters of
Omicron Delta Kappa, a national
leadership honor society, and Delta

Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha, a national
forensic honor society.

Collins spent the spring semester of
his sophomore year studying in France
through the Brethren Colleges Abroad
program — an experience that he says
had a profound impact on him. While
traveling abroad, he visited major art
museums throughout Europe and
traveled to Prague to meet the
Bridgewater Forensics Team for a
competition.

Last summer, Collins volunteered
in the Tacoma Catholic Worker
community in Washington state, where
he worked in an organic garden and
participated in outreach projects for
the homeless. It was a good experience,
he says, despite the hours spent pulling
"tiny weeds" out of the garden. "I
know it sounds like toil and drudgery,
but that was only for eight hours a
day," he jokes.

Becoming serious, Collins adds that
the experience opened his eyes to the
plight of people who live in extreme
poverty, something he hasn't witnessed
in Bridgewater or his hometown of
Staunton, Va. The gardening work
made him more aware of
environmental concerns and how land
should be used.

The son of two high school
teachers, William and Patricia Hollen

Collins, '71, Collins was raised in an
environment that nurtured intellectual
curiosity. Noting that his mother
teaches French, and his father teaches
history, Collins quips, "Apparently I'm
the educational synthesis of my
parents."

While it may seem that the study of
philosophy drew Collins away from his
primary academic pursuits of history
and French, Collins explains, "You can
see elements of almost any field of
endeavor in philosophy in a lot of
ways, and that's what really captured
my interest." For his senior honors
project, he combined subjects of
interest by examining the philosophy of
history, looking closely at issues such as
how historians go about their tasks
philosophically and what history means
to a historian.

He admits that he likes to ponder
the "big, deep, 'thoughty' questions"
that are addressed in philosophy
classes: "Is there a God?" "Can we
know anything with absolute
certainty?" or "Can humans act with
free will?"

Nan Covert, chair of Bridgewater's
art department, describes Collins as a
student possessing "layers and layers of
questions — wonderful, probing, open-
ended questions" and the desire to seek
answers. "He's willing to and seems to

"More than anything else, I value living a whole life ... seeking a wide range of experiences ... each giving us a new perspective on our life."

enjoy opening things up and finding out what is and why it is," she says.

Watson wasn't surprised that Collins chose to pursue a doctorate in philosophy, noting that, unlike most undergraduates, Collins is able to understand the primary works of key philosophers on the first reading. "Most students can't encounter philosophy," he says, but Collins' strength is an "analytical mind that allows him to work through difficult material and find the key arguments." That ability to analyze made him an effective member of the College's championship Ethics Bowl team.

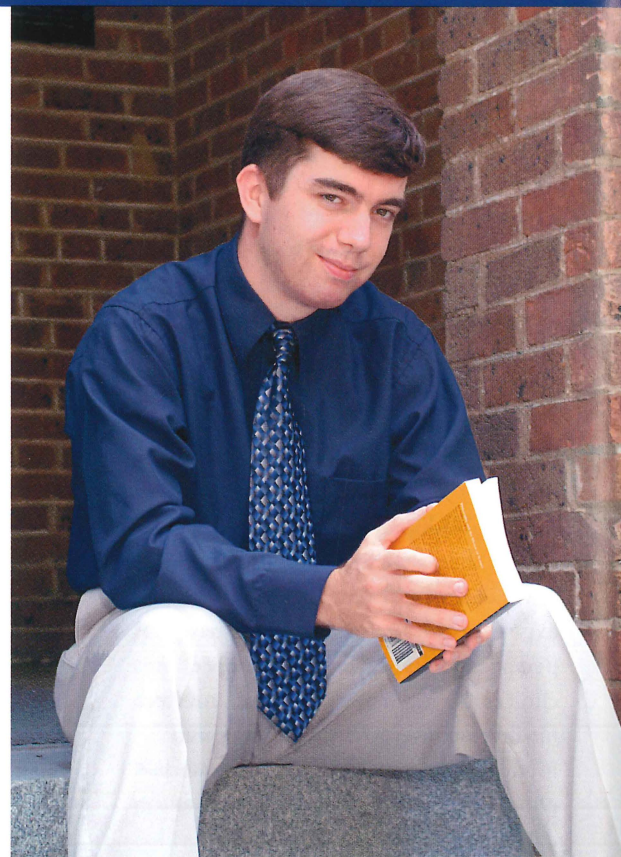
Collins believes that the study of philosophy is important for everyone — "not just for philosophers up in their ivory towers at a university." People should consider "questions about ethics and how we should live our lives and what is right or wrong" and to contemplate why we believe what we believe. "We'll often use good old common sense without really thinking about things within the context of a bigger picture and in a deeper way."

The study of philosophy, if pursued earnestly, will often influence a person's previously held religious beliefs. Collins, who is a Christian, says, "For me, studying philosophy

challenged my early faith assumptions and the things I'd taken for granted before ... It changed the way I look at my faith." That has given him a more solid foundation for his beliefs, he adds.

While acknowledging that practical applications for many areas of philosophy aren't always apparent on the surface, Collins emphasizes that pondering ethical and religious questions is useful for anyone in terms of relating to other human beings and strengthening one's faith. He tends to think in terms of a utilitarian approach to these matters — that is, finding the solution to a problem that provides the greatest good for the greatest number of people. Such thinking could make the world a better place.

"If people thought on a deeper, more philosophical level, I think it would alter the way we do things in our society and in our personal lives," he says. "And I don't think that's out of reach. It's just not the way we do things in America ... As a culture, we don't seem to value thinking about things in a deeper way."



As Collins launches into reasons for his love of philosophical studies — sometimes pausing to say, "I'm babbling way too much" — one gets a glimpse of the kind of teacher he will be someday: enthusiastic, passionate, thoughtful. As a teacher, he says, he hopes his zeal for philosophical thinking will reach his students and challenge them to examine their lives in a deeper way. In doing that, he says, "I could help bring students to a bit more sophisticated understanding of the world we live in." ■



SERVICE with Smiles

By Sharon K. Wallingford
Photos by Jeff Fitlow

Jeffrey S. Holland's colleagues at West Houston Medical Center no longer bat their eyes at the sight of their chief executive officer dressed as a cowardly lion or riding up on a motorcycle à la Marlon Brando. They know the disguises fit into Holland's philosophy of keeping employees happy to ensure that the facility provides a top-notch level of service.

Creating odysseys to improved service is only one of Holland's fortes. As CEO of the 232-bed, full-service hospital and medical facility, he will not shy from throwing a *Wizard of Oz*-themed party to reach a goal. A strong believer in using humorous and coined phrases to boost commitment and satisfaction, the Baltimore native and 1973 Bridgewater graduate first followed his own winding yellow brick road from the lush cultural and historical charm of the Blue Ridge Mountains to the flat plains of the Texas Gulf Coast — taking a course of detours through Kentucky, Colorado, and Louisiana prior to arriving in Houston.

His competitive nature isn't a kept secret either. For employee satisfaction, his campus ranks sixth of the 200 hospitals and 70 outpatient surgery centers owned and operated by Hospital Corporation of America (HCA) in 24 states across the United States. It's at the top in the Gulf Coast Division.

"Healthcare is tougher today than at any point in my career," says Holland. "I'm blessed to be with a mature, ethical company which is committed to doing the right thing and supporting the hospital team serving the community."

"My challenge is getting some 1,000 colleagues and volunteers to work 24-hours a day, seven days a week for 365 days a year to provide great care and great service," he says, knowing he realistically cannot reach perfection. But by developing a culture of service to the patient, through service and commitment to the colleague, he believes he can obtain his defined goals. "I firmly believe a person can be competent at what they do and still have fun."

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As someone raps on his office door, the telephone rings. An amused smile slips across his face as his robust frame, tipped at the crown with salt and pepper flecks, tilts toward the credenza to take the call. A demanding pace is routine. With an annual budget that is split between the cardiovascular center noted for its open heart and vascular triumphs, a specialty floor for seniors, a family obstetrics unit, an accredited high-tech emergency room and two satellite diagnostic and treatment facilities and office buildings at The Sugar Land Medical Center and the newly opened Sugar Land Cancer Center 13 miles away, his facilities

still produce more than \$125 million in revenue annually.

"I am so blessed to have found a career so young that is such a great fit with my personality and values," says Holland, specifically recalling the day he exited Wright Hall to encounter fellow student George Tulli, a 1972 graduate who died several years ago. Their conversation left Holland inspired. "I was contemplating my future when, in the midst of our brief conversation, George mentioned he was applying for a master's degree in hospital administration. I was unaware the degree existed, but at that

moment I knew in my heart that's what I wanted to do."

Upon earning a master's degree from the Medical College of Virginia in 1976, Holland spiked to the top and became a CEO at 30. "Today I get to work with the brain surgeon and the new immigrant to our country working housekeeping in the same day."

That same deep burning passion remains locked in his heart today. "I love to attract people into the workplace and see them develop as my peers and beyond," says Holland, reflecting how his boss Mike Snow once worked for him in New Orleans.

"Jeff is a gifted hospital executive," says Snow, president of the Gulf Coast Division of HCA. "He is never at a loss for creative ways to inspire our valued staff and clinicians. I'm delighted to have this chance to work with him again."

"Well-trained colleagues are key," Holland says. "Healthcare in Houston — the fourth largest city in America — is challenged with nursing shortages, uninsured patients and doctors who are going into businesses that take away our patients through self-referral. The huge size of our city easily blurs the connections with the community compared to smaller towns and cities."

A single parent of two, a son and daughter, he strives to eat a balanced diet, exercise and equalize his time between home and work. He enjoys reading, going to the movies, gardening and completing projects around the house. Since both children are now young adults, he finds himself reflecting more about his former years.

"I think I grew up at Bridgewater College," says Holland. "Someone once told me that in college you learn how to think and in graduate school you learn how to make a living. My involvement with student government also allowed me to open my eyes to the world."

"Graduate school was competitive," he says. "There were nine to 10 applicants for each spot, and folks came from Duke, Virginia and Michigan. I must say my preparation at Bridgewater College served me well."

On a daily basis, Holland must contemplate how he will improve communications, offer rewards and provide sufficient recognition for the work achieved. He finds it interesting and a challenge to compare the older generations to the baby boomers. As he sends movie tickets to fellow colleagues on their birthdays, Holland also holds town meetings within the confines of the

hospital campus, implements bonus programs and creates photographic displays of the many faces that depict the long hours of distinguished service completed by the medical staff.

"Our colleagues spend most of their waking hours with us, so they absolutely deserve to be treated with honesty and respect and to get the straight scoop from our senior team," he adds.

Holland is known as an "out-of-the-box" thinker. His bosses and subordinates have long tagged him "a creative and daring soul" for attempting what others have never tried. "I find doing this within the confines of a regulated, licensed and competitive industry that is sometimes more creative than I am exhilarating."

Intermittently he commits to various health-related, fund-raiser roles and community organizations. For the past four years he has served on the Houston Council on Alcoholism while maintaining his membership as a Fellow in the American College of Hospital Administrators.

"Sometimes I

compare my job to that of a head coach," says Holland, who refers to his staff as a team of all-stars. "Our purpose is to provide unsurpassed service to everyone we encounter and for whom we provide care. Rewarding, celebrating and communicating are our hallmark practices."

So what advice can he give to Bridgewater graduates today? Holland says the same he has given his children: "Learn who you are and try to find a career where you get paid to be yourself and have fun." ■



CUTTING

By Karen Doss Bowman, '91

Bridgewater football fans — particularly those die-hard supporters who faithfully attended games during the dismal years — probably have noticed over the years that head coach Michael Clark almost always has a shadow on the sidelines. His daughter, Erin, has been trailing him as his headset cord-holder for as long as most Eagles fans can remember.

In June, the 18-year-old graduated from Turner Ashby High School and will be hanging up the wire as she leaves home for college. She will attend BC-competitor Christopher Newport University, where she will continue working on the sidelines — this time as a cheerleader for the Captains.

Erin has been holding the headset cord for her dad for the last 10 years, since she was in third grade, when Clark became defensive coordinator at Virginia Military Institute. He says that Erin was a bright spot for him during those days. “The reality is, we weren’t winning a lot, and you wanted someone around who was a positive,” he says. “Trust me, at VMI, you needed positive voices!”

One of Clark’s best encouragers over the years, Erin has seen the best — and the worst — of BC football. Clark says Erin and his father, Joe (who died in 1999), were two people who stuck with him “when I wasn’t fashionable.”

When she was younger, Erin usually went on all the overnight road trips with the Eagles, but when she



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entered high school and became a cheerleader, her Friday nights were reserved for Turner Ashby football games. However, she did not let Clark down: She found friends to drive her to the BC games, leaving early enough on Saturday mornings to arrive on the sidelines before kick-off. Having her at each game, Clark says, helped him through the tough times. Erin's mom, Sharon, agrees, saying that her daughter's temperament gels with the kind of pressure a college football coach endures.

"Erin is so upbeat and easygoing. She's kind of a calming force," Sharon says, noting that many times, she has seen her daughter lean her elbows on Mike's shoulders during some of the tough games, in an effort to bring comfort. "I think it was really special for him to have her there."

Clark says his daughter has always had the kind of perspective that gives her ability to "focus on the right thing." He recalls the day, following the 1992 football season, when he was fired from his position as defensive coordinator at Virginia Tech. Knowing that the story would make headlines on the evening news, Clark went home to talk to both of his daughters individually, to explain the situation. After talking to Erin, Clark asked her, "Do you understand what this means?" The second-grader, who already was accustomed to once-a-week lunch visits from her dad, wisely replied, "That means you can come eat

lunch with me more often."

Few children have the opportunity to observe their parents at work, and that experience can create a special bond. Sharon says the two have become "buddies" over the years. After all, Erin has been her dad's road trip companion; she's gotten to know his co-workers and the players (many of whom call her "Miss Clark"), and they know some of each other's embarrassing moments. Clark, for example, divulges that his cute, petite daughter has been known to "snore like a sailor" on the bus trips. And during her interview, Erin asks, "Did he tell you about the time his pants ripped?" (That happened at a game she didn't attend — he got caught in the headset wire, ripping a "big hole" in his pants.)

In recent years, Clark became concerned that hanging out with him on the sidelines might cramp the lifestyle of a sociable teenager. He assured Erin that if she'd rather sit in the stands with her friends, he would understand. "I wanted her to know she didn't owe me this," he says. "But she said, really sincerely, 'No, Dad, I want to do it.' So she graduated with [the players]. We had a good run."

Clark becomes emotional remembering that he shared similar experiences with his own father, who

was a high school football coach. As a kid, Clark used to go to all of his dad's games. "As I look back, that's meant a lot to me," he says. "I'd like to think Erin saw the good in her dad, as well

as the bad, and that she was able to balance that."

Erin seems to see mostly the good. Though her father can get angry on the field, Erin describes Clark as calm. When he's nervous, she says, he paces back and forth. And sometimes, the referees ask Erin to keep Clark behind the line, so she gives the cord a light tug to pull him back. "It's a lot of fun to see what he does," she says. "... He's a great guy."

Thanks to wireless technology, Erin's sideline job at BC isn't up for grabs. Clark admits that he probably put off the inevitable for a couple of years, just to continue sharing the experience with Erin. As his daughter prepares to move to the Christopher Newport sidelines, she's already concerned about the September 27 game against Bridgewater, when the Eagles will travel to her new digs. She's worried that she'll get caught up in the game and yell, "Go BC!"

"I have to be in uniform at CNU," she says, laughing. "But I think everybody knows who I really want to win." ■

The Not-So-Quiet



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As an institution, the library has managed to survive some truly trying moments, like, for example, when British troops decided to hold a major book- and building-burning party at the Library of Congress during the War of 1812.

Still, with the advent of the Internet, some naysayers are predicting that this great repository of knowledge is finally entering its twilight years. On the surface, that's not a difficult conclusion to reach, given the current penchant for e-books, Google, Barnes and Noble coffee shops and an almost draconian slashing of library budgets.

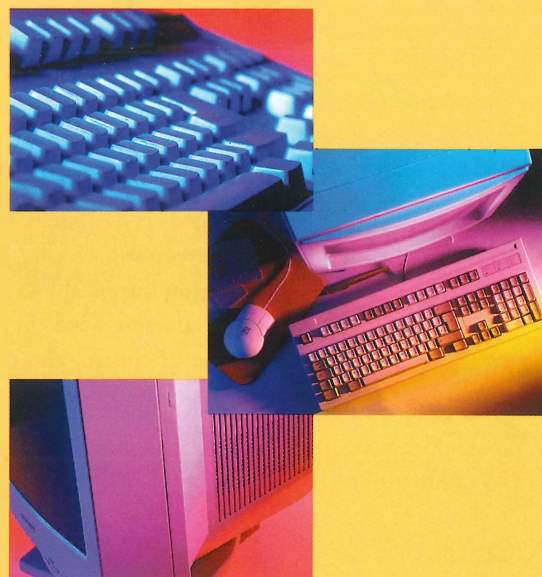
But two Bridgewater graduates are quick to note that the rumors announcing the imminent death of the library are greatly exaggerated. And they should know. Robert Newlen, '75, is in charge of legislative relations for the Congressional Research Service at the Library of Congress, while former school librarian Audrey Puckett Church, '80, coordinates the graduate-level School Library Media Program at Longwood University.

"Libraries are more important than ever today," states Newlen. "Just because there is more information out there today doesn't mean that it's quality information or credible. Libraries help people weed out all that flotsam and jetsam that are not authoritative and not accurate. That ability to organize information is one of the library's greatest values to its customers."

Church notes that while it's easy to perceive libraries as old-fashioned, they are, in fact, on

Librarians

By Heather B. Hayes



the cutting edge of teaching information literacy. This involves showing users not just how to locate books on the shelf via the card catalog system but also how to perform advanced searches on the Internet, how to assess a Web site for credibility, how to use subscription databases to locate journal articles and other vetted information and how to make ethical use of intellectual property.

"Being able to recognize the need for information, to access it, evaluate it and then use it productively, these are all life skills," says Church. "And this is what librarians teach today."

In fact, today's librarian doesn't even come close to resembling the stereotype: a quiet, mature sort that spends the bulk of *her* time stacking books and shushing patrons. The current model (of either gender) is energetic, Web-savvy and very keen on helping people find the exact piece of information they need to find.

Both Newlen and Church fit in perfectly with this new crowd, each boasting a youthful, passionate enthusiasm for all aspects of the job: working with people, learning, teaching and having open access to information. And both are vocal advocates for library issues.

"Being a librarian is the greatest job in the world," admits Church. "No two days are alike, and if you're doing your job right, then you're being everything to everybody."

A lifelong reader, Church credits her mother and frequent Saturday trips to the local library for her eventual choice of vocation. She studied education at Bridgewater College with an eye on

becoming an English teacher, but after taking summer courses in library science at Longwood, she decided to take a job as a school librarian in Lunenburg County.

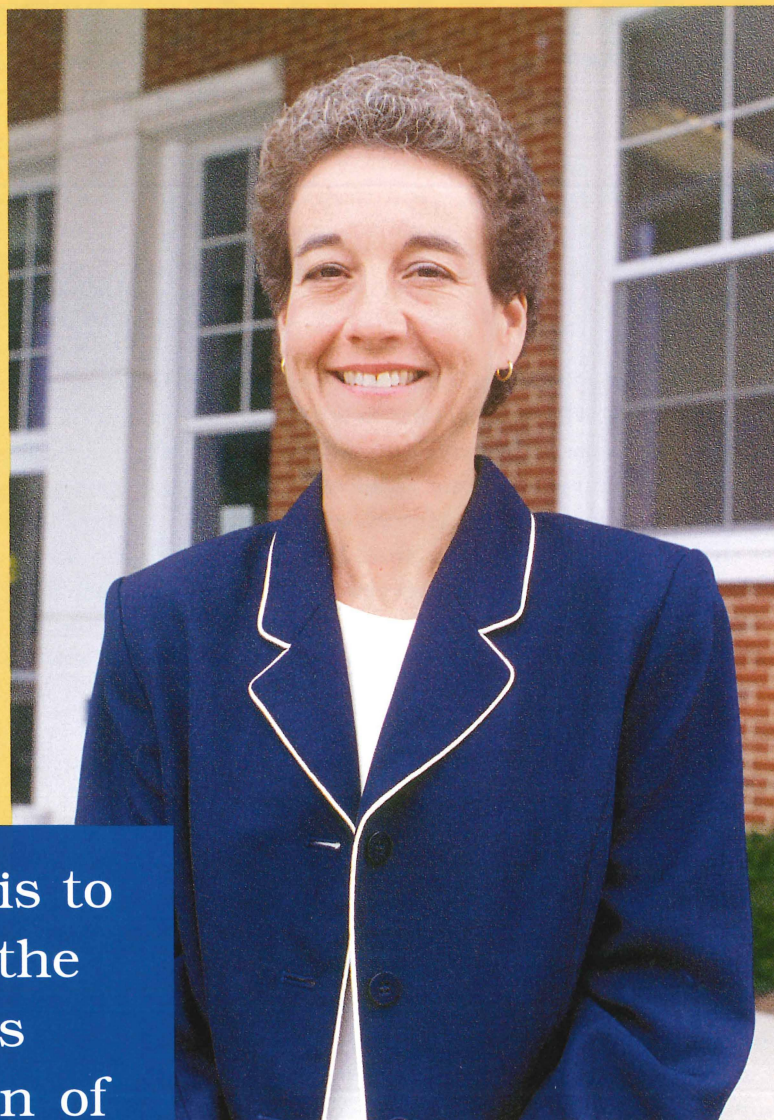
After 20 years in the business, first at the primary school level and then at the high school level, she took over the reins of the fledgling Longwood University School Library Media program in 2000. Though Church herself received a master's degree in the subject in 1993, School Library Media is a relatively new field of study, instructing students in not just books but all information formats—from microfilm to the Web—and advocating a more collaborative role with classroom instructors.

In just a few years, Church has had a major impact. When she first arrived in 2000, 18 students were enrolled; at present, there are 116 enrolled. For their part, K-12 schools are only too happy to hear the results, since over half of school librarians are expected to retire by 2009, according to the Virginia Educational Media Association (VEMA). "There is definitely going to be a critical shortage of library media specialists," she says, noting that only three other Virginia colleges offer graduate courses in the subject.

A former president of VEMA, Church believes that advocacy begins with the person in the mirror and, as such, spends much of her time lecturing in teacher preparation and principal preparation classes at colleges around the state about the evolving function of the school librarian.

"My goal is to change the world's perception of who and what librarians are," she says. "Libraries are not what they used to be, of course, and the school librarian today is actually more of a teacher, someone who's ready to assist classroom teachers not only by providing resources, but by collaborating with them and partnering with them to help students become more information literate."

In fact, she notes, a number of state education studies have shown that when teachers and school librarians work together, student achievement is considerably higher. "I think we're getting the word out," notes Church, who recently published a book entitled, *Leverage Your Library Program to*



"My goal is to change the world's perception of who and what librarians are." *Audrey Church*

Raise Test Scores: A Guide for Library Media Specialists, Principals, Teachers and Parents. "I think we're starting to get the message out."

Newlen, for his part, has also been heavily involved in library advocacy, though he admits that, while growing up, the idea of being a librarian "never even crossed my mind." After studying political science and French at Bridgewater, however, he took a job as a clerk for the Congressional Research Service at the Library of Congress. Eventually, after working

Library Named for BC Graduate

In the 1950s, John K. Gott was the only Bridgewater College graduate known to have a master of library science degree. Then-President Warren Bowman offered Gott a position as the College's librarian, but the 1950 graduate was already working and satisfied with his job as a librarian in Fairfax County.

Gott's love of books can be traced back to the age of 5, when he was given his first book, *The Travels and Adventures of Teddy B and Teddy G*, published in 1906. Since that time, his personal library has expanded to include about 4,000 volumes, including history books on his hometown and nearby counties, as well as historic photographs, maps, diaries, land deeds and other county records.

"A library is a growing thing if it's any kind of library at all," Gott told the *Fauquier Citizen*. "It does not sit still."

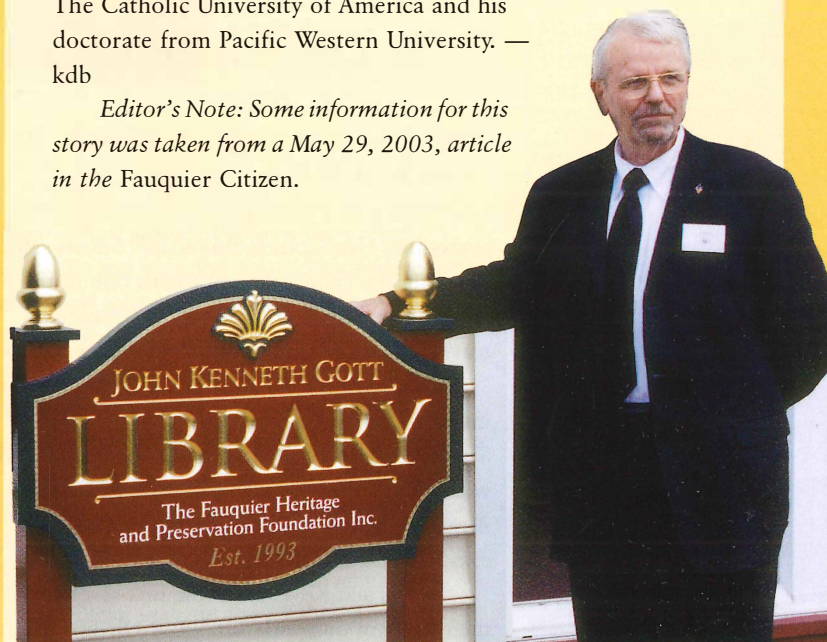
The collection eventually outgrew Gott's home and the 16-by-20 foot building in his backyard, so Gott recently donated it to the Fauquier Heritage and Preservation Foundation in Marshall, Va. This past May, the foundation named its library in his honor.

The John K. Gott Library is housed in Upper Carter's Run Baptist Church in Marshall, the oldest Baptist meetinghouse in Virginia, dating back to 1771.

Now considered Fauquier County's de facto historian, Gott has written 18 books related to the history of Fauquier County. A volunteer at the foundation, Gott is known by family historians throughout the country, and has even received calls from researchers at Oxford University in England.

Gott earned his master's degree in library science from The Catholic University of America and his doctorate from Pacific Western University. — kdb

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closely with the best librarians at the most high profile library in the world, he couldn't resist, and earned his master's degree in library science from The Catholic University of America. "I really, really loved it."

So much so that he eventually wrote a book called *Writing Resumes That Work: A How-To-Do-It Manual for Librarians* and joined the American Library Association (ALA) in hopes of positively impacting the larger issues affecting public libraries. The library, he notes, may be alive and well, but like everything else, it has its fair share of current problems. A major concern for Newlen, who served on the Executive Board of the ALA and ran for (and narrowly lost) association president this past spring, is the state financial crisis that's slamming community libraries.

"For low-income neighborhoods, this has been devastating," he says, noting that libraries have evolved into safe havens and community centers, with wonderful storytelling programs, summer reading programs and PCs for Internet access. "A lot has been said about the information-poor, but they really do exist, and when hours are cut back and libraries are closed, it has a huge impact on users who really don't have any other way to access information."

Newlen knows more than his fair share about the information-poor, and he worries openly about any efforts to restrict intellectual freedom. In recent years, he has visited (and continues to visit) Russia and other former Soviet republics for the State Department to help those countries build their city and parliamentary library programs and expand their readers.

"When you go over there and realize firsthand how restricted information was under the old system, you really understand how privileged we are to live where there is so much freedom and open access," he says. "They're just now learning about all the things that we've had for years, so it's critically important that we never take those things for granted."

If future librarians are as vocal as Newlen and Church, that's not a likely scenario. ■

Sports Abroad

By Steve Cox, '81

Ben Spotts knew his summer was going to be filled with baseball. He didn't know, however, that the sport he loves would take him to Europe.

Spotts, Bridgewater's assistant baseball coach, signed a contract during the spring to join the coaching staff of the Waynesboro Generals in the prestigious Valley Baseball League. The league plays a grueling 40-day schedule over an eight-week period, providing its players and coaches plenty of baseball in a short time. Just after the Valley season began, Spotts received a phone call offering him an opportunity he couldn't turn down.

The BC coach was offered the chance to travel to The Netherlands for two weeks with Virginia Commonwealth University head coach Paul Keyes and work with the Dutch Junior National Team. Once the Generals gave Spotts permission to leave the team for two weeks, he was packed and ready to go.

"This was a great opportunity. It was something I just couldn't pass up," Spotts said. "Getting the chance to work with one of the best Division I coaches and getting the chance to travel to The Netherlands was unbelievable."

Spotts wasn't the only BC coach to get some international experience this summer. Eagles' assistant softball coach Sarah Norman traveled with a U.S. contingent to play against teams in Australia. For both, the experiences were exciting and rewarding.

Spotts and Keyes spent the first several days of their trip working with the Junior Olympic team.

"These guys were 14- to 15-year-olds, and their talent level was equal to 14- to 15-year-olds in the U.S.," Spotts said. "These kids were pretty good. They were the best players in their nation in their age group."

One thing that impressed Spotts was the players' passion for the game.

"We started each morning at around 8:30 and didn't finish until 10 each night. You could play without lights until at least 10 and when it started to get dark, you had to run the kids off the field. They just didn't want to quit playing."

Keyes and Spotts also ran a second camp for players who weren't quite as advanced. "They are trying to develop the game in the eastern portion of The Netherlands where the sport isn't quite as popular. We were working with 14- to 18-year-olds who were just learning the game. In

that camp, some of the 16-year-olds had the skill level of maybe a 9-10 year-old in the U.S."

Before the trip was over, Spotts got the chance to watch the Dutch National Team play in a tournament featuring a U.S. college team, the Cuban National Team and the South African National Team.

"Those teams were very good," Spotts said. "The Dutch team has several players who are playing in the Minor Leagues in the U.S."

Norman traveled to Australia as an assistant with Coast-To-Coast Tours, coaching a group of U.S. high school players ranging in ages from 15-19.

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Football Staff Changes

Two new coaches have joined the football staff. John A. Cervino has been hired as linebackers coach and defensive coordinator, and James Edward "Peter" Raeford Jr. has been selected to coach the defensive secondary. Cervino also will serve as an instructor in Bridgewater's health and exercise science department.

The hirings fill voids on the Eagles staff left by the departure of Coach John Spencer, who retired after 36 years at the College, and Ralph Robinson, who served as defensive coordinator for the Eagles the past seven seasons.

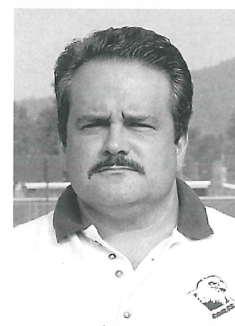
Cervino, who has coached at all levels of collegiate football, was head coach at Heidelberg College in Tiffin, Ohio, during the 2002 season. He served as head coach at Western Connecticut State for nine years (1992-2000) and led the team to the Freedom Conference title in 1999 with the first undefeated season in school history. The 1999 team earned the No. 1 seed in the East Region for the Division III NCAA Playoffs.

Cervino also has coached at Northeastern University, Shippensburg University, University of

Pittsburgh, Ohio State University, Mercyhurst College and Western Maryland College. In 2000, he was head coach of the Topeka Kings in the Indoor Football League and led the team to an 11-5 record.

For the past five seasons, Raeford has been an assistant coach at Greensboro College. He has played professional football in three different leagues. He was a defensive back for the USFL's San Antonio Gunslingers in 1984-85 before joining the NFL's Chicago Bears in 1987. In 1988, he played with New York Knights in the Arena Football League.

Raeford also had brief coaching stints on the pro level. In 1991, he worked as strength coach and assistant defensive backs coach for the San Antonio Roughriders in the World Football League. The following year, he served as defensive backs coach and strength coach for the San Antonio Force in the Arena Football League. Raeford also worked as a strength coach for the NBA's San Antonio Spurs from 1992-93. ■



Coach Cervino



Coach Raeford

Abroad...continued

"I met Kevin Ritter, who is associated with Coast-To-Coast at the national coaches convention. He told me he was always looking for coaches, and I decided to apply for one of the positions," Norman said.

Two U.S. teams made the trip and played games in Blacktown, the site of the Olympic Stadium. "We got to play in the stadium, and the competition was really good. They don't play softball in high school or college in Australia. It's all league-type play," Norman explained. "Some of the girls we played against will eventually move up and play for their Olympic team."

"We played 16 games in two weeks, but we still had time to do a lot of sightseeing. It's winter over there. It was 60 to 70 degrees, and they think that is cold," Norman added. "Australia is so beautiful, and it was just an unbelievable experience." ■

Watson to Coach Men's Tennis

Steve Watson, associate professor of philosophy and religion, was named the men's head tennis coach for the 2003-04 season. Watson has won tennis tournaments at the local, state and regional level. He won the North Carolina State High School individual championship, attended college on a tennis scholarship and won the Southern Conference Tournament at the number one singles position. Including professionals and amateurs, he won sanctioned tournaments in the Southern and Mid-Atlantic regions. Early in his career as a teaching professional, he was a summer instructor for city programs, at country clubs, tennis clubs and resorts. He has coached players who have developed into state and regional champions, including a couple of players he coached as playing professionals on the ATP tour. ■



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CROSS COUNTRY

OCTOBER

4 Dickinson Invitational	TBA
11 VA Division II & III State Meet	TBA
18 William & Mary Invitational	TBA

NOVEMBER

1 ODAC Championship at Lynchburg	TBA
15 Regional Meet at Emory University	TBA
22 NCAA Division III Nationals	

FIELD HOCKEY

OCTOBER

4 Randolph-Macon*	1 p.m.
8 Roanoke*	4 p.m.
10 Washington & Lee*	7 p.m.
12 JUNIATA COLLEGE	2 P.M.
14 FROSTBURG STATE	4 P.M.
17 Mary Washington	4 p.m.
22 SWEET BRIAR*	4 P.M.
24 Christopher Newport	4 p.m.
25 Virginia Wesleyan*	1 p.m.
29 R-M WOMAN'S*	3 P.M.

NOVEMBER

1 ODAC Tournament 1st Round	TBA
8-9 ODAC Tournament 2nd Round	TBA

FOOTBALL

OCTOBER

4 Hampden-Sydney*	1 p.m.
18 GUILFORD*	1 P.M.
<i>HOMECOMING</i>	

NOVEMBER

1 Washington & Lee*	1 p.m.
8 RANDOLPH-MACON*	1 P.M.
<i>FAMILY WEEKEND</i>	
15 CATHOLIC*	1:30 P.M.
<i>OYSTER BOWL, HAMPTON, VA</i>	

GOLF

OCTOBER

20-21 Va. State Intercollegiate
Dominion GC, Hunting Hawk GC

MEN'S SOCCER

OCTOBER

1 LYNCHBURG*	2 P.M.
4 Randolph-Macon*	3 p.m.
8 Roanoke*	4 p.m.
12 Emory & Henry*	3 p.m.
18 EASTERN MENNONITE*	11 A.M.
22 Shenandoah	3 p.m.
25 WASHINGTON & LEE*	1 P.M.
28 VIRGINIA WESLEYAN*	3 P.M.
TBA ODAC Tournament	TBA

WOMEN'S SOCCER

OCTOBER

1 EASTERN MENNONITE*	4 P.M.
4 Emory & Henry*	3 p.m.
7 HOLLINS*	4 P.M.
11 Lynchburg*	1 p.m.
18 ROANOKE*	4 P.M.
22 R-M Woman's*	4 p.m.
25 Randolph-Macon*	1 p.m.
TBA ODAC Tournament	TBA

VOLLEYBALL

OCTOBER

1 MARY BALDWIN*	6:30 P.M.
3-4 Guilford College Tournament	TBA
8 WASHINGTON & LEE*	6:30 P.M.
11 Hollins*	2 p.m.
15 SWEET BRIAR*	6:30 P.M.
23 R-M Woman's*	6:30 p.m.
24 GUILFORD*	6:30 P.M.
29 Randolph-Macon*	6:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER

7-8 ODAC Tournament	TBA
<i>Randolph-Macon</i>	

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*ODAC Game

EAGLE HOOPS 2003

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

NOVEMBER

21-22 Frostburg State Tip-Off Tournament	TBA
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DECEMBER

3 RANDOLPH-MACON*	7 P.M.
6 EASTERN MENNONITE	3 P.M.
7 MT. ALOYSIUS (PA)	3 P.M.
10 WASHINGTON & LEE*	7 P.M.
20 Shenandoah	3 p.m.

JANUARY

3-4 BC/DON GLICK TOURNAMENT	2 & 4 P.M.
10 LYNCHBURG*	2 P.M.
12 Hampden-Sydney*	7 p.m.
14 Virginia Wesleyan*	7 p.m.
17 EMORY & HENRY*	2 P.M.
18 GUILFORD*	2 P.M.
21 ROANOKE*	7 P.M.
24 Eastern Mennonite*	TBA
28 Mt. Aloysius	7 p.m.
31 Lynchburg*	2 p.m.

FEBRUARY

2 HAMPDEN-SYDNEY*	7 P.M.
4 Roanoke*	7 p.m.
7 Guilford*	2 p.m.
8 Emory & Henry*	4 p.m.
11 Randolph-Macon*	7 p.m.
14 VIRGINIA WESLEYAN*	2 P.M.
17 Washington & Lee*	7 p.m.
21-23 ODAC Tournament	TBA

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

NOVEMBER

25 AVERETT	7 P.M.
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DECEMBER

1 WASHINGTON & LEE*	7 P.M.
3 R-M Woman's*	7 p.m.
5 Ferrum	7 p.m.
19-22 Adidas D3 Shoot-Out	TBA
<i>Las Vegas, Nev.</i>	

JANUARY

3 R-M WOMAN'S*	7 P.M.
4 at Lynchburg*	3 p.m.
6 RANDOLPH-MACON*	7 P.M.
9 EMORY & HENRY*	7 P.M.
10 GUILFORD*	4 P.M.
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TBA MARY WASHINGTON	TBA
26-28 ODAC Tournament	TBA

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Eagles We-Haul

Ed Burgess, '62, (*top of stairs*) and Randy Gehr, '72, helped freshmen move into the residence halls on Aug. 30, as part of Eagles We-Haul. Thirteen alumni joined the group to welcome new students and haul bikes, computers, stereos, televisions and other necessities of college life.



Alumni Join the College Staff

Connie Reeves Minnick, '84, and Annette Delahay Williams, '90, have joined the staff of their alma mater. As manager of administrative information systems, Minnick manages the College's main database, Datatel. Prior to returning to Bridgewater, Minnick worked at James Madison University for 17 years, most recently as a computer systems lead engineer. She also held roles as a programmer/analyst and served as an adjunct faculty member of computer information systems in JMU's College of Business. She earned an MBA from the university in 1997.



Connie Minnick (*left*) and Annette Delahay Williams

Williams has joined the staff as director of career services. Most recently, she was assistant dean of career development at Mary Baldwin College in Staunton. She also has been an adjunct instructor at Blue Ridge Community College, where she taught courses on Orientation to College, and has provided career-counseling services at Grace Christian High School. A member of both the national and Virginia divisions of the Association of Colleges and Employers, as well as the National Career Development Association, Williams earned a master's degree from Lynchburg College. ■

Soccer Buddies

A group of Bridgewater College alumni and staff have bonded over their love of soccer. The group formed a team and now compete as members of the Shenandoah Valley Adult Soccer League. Members of the team are:

Pictured (l to r) Back Row — Anne Zumbro, assistant dean of students, Crystal Ragan, director of residence life and student activities; Jennifer Mullen, '04; Meghan Cothorn, '03; Liz Pietrzyk, '02, Dillion Hall resident director and assistant lacrosse coach; Kameron Tucker, '03; Nicole Ocheltree, '01; Heather Orwig, former Daleville Hall resident director — Front Row — Whitney Stroop, '01, director of Kline Campus Center and assistant director of student activities; Kristy Kane, '02, information technology technician; Charity Tyree, '03; Carrie Harman, assistant director of student activities and summer conference coordinator; and Amber Cropper Bryant, '99. Not pictured — Sara Norman, Blue Ridge Hall resident director and assistant softball coach and Amanda Marvin, '02.



class notes...

1928

The Rev. Dewey Fleishman of Bridgewater, Va., has published an 88-page paperback autobiography, *A Witness to Three Centuries*, at the age of 103. A Church of the Brethren minister, he pastored congregations in Oklahoma, Iowa, Florida and Virginia. He also taught seventh grade for 11 years in Rockingham County, earning \$80 a month. Fleishman credits practical and spiritual wisdom for his prolonged life.

1943

The Rev. Carl Zigler and his wife, Madaline, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on July 15. The Ziglers live in Bridgewater, Va.

1951

David L. Rogers of North Manchester, Ind., was invited to be an international observer for national elections in El Salvador on March 16.

1953

After several weeks of traveling in Italy, **Paul** and **Betty Halterman Kline**, '55, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, on June 20, on the Greek Island of Santorini. They were joined by their children, including alumni **Pam**, '79, and **Robert Wolfe**, '80, of Silver Spring, Md., and **Kris** and **Robyn Kline**, both '84, of Asheville, N.C. Paul also judged the entries at the Mighty Midwest Biennial II art show held at New Vision's Gallery in Marshfield, Wis. The show, featured in *Art Catalogue*, included 80 entries that Kline had selected from 965 slides submitted by artists representing six midwestern states.

1955

Betty Halterman Kline (see Paul Kline, '53).

1956

Robert H. Hudson is a semi-retired sales consultant for Saturn Space Coast in Melbourne, Fla. He can be contacted at dhhb24@juno.com.

1958

Dr. Ed Jeffries Jr., of Lakeland, Fla., received the Rotarian of the Year award at the District 6890 club's honors banquet in June. The district has 2,200 members.

Bill Littlepage was honored by Hopewell High School in December 2002 when the basketball court at Leadbetter Gymnasium was named "Coach Littlepage Court." In his 40 years as coach, Littlepage has the second-winningest record in Virginia High School League history. **Paul Hatcher**, '66, holds the No. 1 spot.

1965

D. Miller Davis of Westminster, Md., served a one-year term as interim administrator at Shepherd's Spring Outdoor Ministry Center. In August, he began an interim post as chief operating officer of Heifer Project International.

F. Lee Dellinger of Harrisonburg, Va., had his manuscript, "An Unconventional Health and Physical Education Exam for Block Scheduling," included in the spring 2003 issue of *The Virginia Journal*, published by the Virginia Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

1973

Neva A. Clayton recently opened the Shenandoah Valley School of Therapeutic Massage in Woodstock, Va. The school's 500-hour professional program trains students for a career in massage therapy. **Jessica Hodson Keller**, '90, a faculty member at the school, and Clayton previously taught at the Virginia School of Massage in Winchester, Va. Clayton also is serving as second vice president for the Virginia American Massage Therapy Association State Chapter.

1975

Donna Price Walker of Glenshaw, Pa., is vice president of tax administration for PPG Industries Inc., a company she has been with for 26 years. She also is active in her church, serving as an elder, chair of the music and worship ministry, wedding coordinator — and most fun — hand bell ringer!

1978

J.D. "John" McCurdy became the head women's softball coach at Eastern Mennonite University on Aug. 1. As coach at Turner Ashby High School, he led his team to an overall record of 90-6. He also has coached the Amateur Softball Association to five state championships. McCurdy is the owner of a Nationwide Insurance agency. He and his wife, the former **Diane Lacklen**, '81, live in Bridgewater, Va. They have three children.

1980

Larry French has retired from a career as a certified public accountant. He enjoys man-

aging his real estate investments and spending time with his wife of 22 years, Pam. They have three children and live in Bridgewater, Va.

1982

Mark Puckett of Churchville, Md., received the 2002 State Coach of the Year award from the National Federation High School Coaches Association.

1983

Nevin Pilson and Christy have a son, Matthew Nevin, born Feb. 16. He was delivered by **Dr. Catherine Slusher**, '80. The family lives in Staunton, Va.

Pat Ross and Steven Dale Leslie Sr. were married May 31. She teaches seventh-grade language arts at North Fork Middle School in Shenandoah County. The couple lives in Stephens City, Va.

1985

Wendy Anderson Bryant has a daughter, Emma Grace Anderson Bryant, born in April. They live in Roanoke, Va., where Wendy teaches middle school English.

1986

Laura Faye Newlon Groff and **Brad Groff**, '87, have a son, Carter Matthew, born April 16. Laura Faye is controller for the Virginia Continuing Legal Education Foundation, and Brad is director of operations for Cellular One. The family lives in Charlottesville, Va.

J. Douglas Trollinger III of Solomons, Md., graduated from the Naval War College's College of Naval Command and Staff on June 20. He is

program manager in the Visual Landing Aids branch of PMT-251, which develops, tests, acquires, deploys and supports aircraft launch and recovery equipment for the Naval Air Systems Command.

1987

Kathryn E. Crouse and Samuel M. Warren were married May 10. She is a certified public accountant with Advantage Accounting and Tax Solutions Inc. The couple lives in Bridgewater, Va.

Jeff Dean was appointed athletic director at Rutgers University in Camden, N.J., in April. He lives in Haddon Heights, N.J., with his wife, Kate, and two sons.

Brad Groff (see Laura Faye Newlon Groff, '86).

Tammy Huffman Shomo and **Randy H. Shomo, '88**, have their first child, a son, John Arlington, born June 17. Tammy is a teacher at Maury River Middle School, and Randy is a vice president for Wachovia Bank. The family lives in Lexington, Va.

1988

Ed Jacobs of Studio City, Calif., recently became membership program manager for the National Notary Association in Chatsworth, Calif. The N.N.A. is the leading authority on notary laws, customs and practices in the United States and is sought out and relied on not only by notaries, but also by legislators, attorneys, government officials and the media.

Randy H. Shomo (see Tammy Huffman Shomo, '87).

1989

The Rev. Rhonda Pittman Gingrich and Mark have a daughter, Addison Marie, born on April 16. The family lives in Minneapolis.

1990

Justin Eyler and Kristin Supik were married in October 2002. Justin earned a master's degree in e-commerce and is chief executive officer of Fluid Web Solutions, a Web site development and e-commerce firm. The couple lives in Owings Mills, Md.

Jessica Hodson Keller (see Neva A. Clayton, '73).

Amy Fouts Wampler began working in the development office at the National Zoo in Washington, D.C., in October 2002.

1991

Sarah Tanner Jenkins and Jonathan have their first child, a daughter, Ava Leigh, born May 17. Sarah is a first-grade teacher in the Culpeper County public schools. The family lives in Madison, Va.

R. Joseph and **Penny Worsham Snader** have a sec-



Ava Leigh Jenkins

ond daughter, Jocelyn Elise, born May 22, 2002. The Snaders live in New Windsor, Md.

1992

Tricia Holsinger and **Doug Thompson, '94**, have a son, Xander Scott, born April 25. The family lives in Staunton, Va.

The Rev. Shawn Flory Replogle and his wife, the former **Alison Flory, '98**, have moved to McPherson, Kan., where Shawn is serving as co-pastor of the McPherson Church of the Brethren. Alison, who has been an elementary school counselor the past two years, is a stay-at-home mom.

Terry S. Whitmer and Penny R. Bennett were married May 17. Terry is vice president of operations at Contracting Unlimited Inc. The couple lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

1993

Kathryn Rhodes Bremner and **David Bremner, '94**, have a son, Andrew Bryant, born April 11. The Bremners live in Mechanicsville, Va.

Scott Brown and Karen have a son, Todd William, born June 25, 2002. Scott is the information technology manager for Carroll Lutheran Village, a non-profit continuing care retirement community in Westminster, Md. The Browns, who also have a daughter, live in Westminster, as does the children's grandfather, **C. Todd Brown, '61**.

Edwin Neil Burke of South Hill, Va., has been promoted to vice president/financial officer of Benchmark Community Bank.

Matthew and **Christy Holsinger Curry** have a son, Ethan William, born March 7. The family lives in Bridgewater, Va.



Ethan William Curry

Holly Botkin Stinchcomb and Matt have a second daughter, Carrie Lynn, born March 27. The family lives in Manassas, Va.



Carrie and Leah Stinchcomb

1994

David Bremner (see Kathryn Rhodes Bremner, '93).

Elizabeth Kirk Claybrook is an administrative assistant to the deans of academics and administration at the College of Health Sciences in Roanoke, Va. She recently obtained a business license and sells her own craft/art work.►

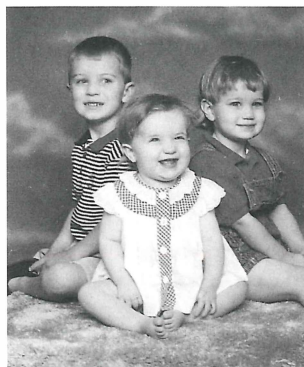
She lives in Roanoke with her husband, Scott, and two sons.

Page B. Fairchilds and Holly Jo have a son, Gabriel O'Brien, born Jan. 29, 2002. The family, which also includes another son, lives in Salem, Va.

Doug Thompson (see Tricia Holsinger, '92).

1995

Carolyn Anderson Barrett and Harry have a new daughter, Anna Mae Lynn, born April 10, 2002. Carolyn is a stay-at-home mom with their three children. The family lives in Ruckersville, Va.



Micah, Leah and Anna Barrett

Valerie Frech Leith and Michael have a new son, Jonah Benjamin, born Dec. 19, 2002. Valerie is a stay-at-home mom at the family's home in Clearville, Pa.



Micah and Jonah Leith

Sean Polson and **Melissa Kiracofe**, '01, were married March 22. Sean is a pre-employment coordinator with TARC Inc., in Harrisonburg, Va., and Melissa is a teacher in the Rockingham County Public Schools. The couple lives in Bridgewater, Va.

Melvin E. Williams of Roanoke, Va., is serving as a part-time pastor at the Nineveh Church of the Brethren in Franklin County. He continues in full-time law practice at Guynn & Memmer P.C.

1996

Donald Burton graduated in May from the master of arts in teaching program at Mary Baldwin College. At the commencement ceremony, he received the program's Most Outstanding Graduate Award for 2003. He began his sixth year of teaching at Verona Elementary School, moving this year from first grade to second. He, his wife, the former **Cami Aleshevich**, '95, and daughter live in Waynesboro, Va.

Michele Carr Hughes and Douglas have a son, Joshua Carter, born March 28. Michele teaches eighth-grade geography in the Rockingham County school system. She also serves as co-chair of the Brethren Disaster Response arts and crafts committee. The family, which also includes a daughter, lives in Linville, Va.

Scott E. Slaven and Kyle have a daughter, Taylor Lee, born Oct. 29, 2002. Scott is a funeral director for Kyger Funeral Homes. The family lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

1997

Dr. Holly Abernethy graduated from Ross University School of Medicine in June.

She is a first-year resident with the Shenandoah Valley Family Medicine Residency Program in Winchester and Front Royal, Va.

Kim Heatwole Nieder teaches physical education at Wilson Memorial High School. She also is the head varsity girls' volleyball coach. Her husband, **Todd**, '99, recently opened Nieder Chiropractic and Rehabilitation in Harrisonburg, Va., where the couple lives.

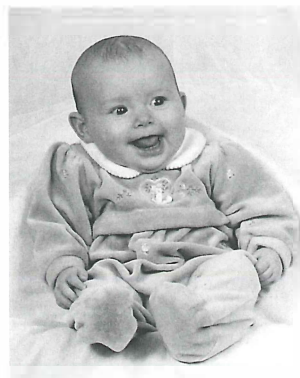
Amy Marie Long and Joshua S. Fulk were married April 12. Amy is a fourth-grade teacher at Clymore Elementary School in Augusta County. The couple lives in McGaheysville, Va.

The Rev. Alexander D. MacPhail and Karin L. Chambers were married May 24. The couple lives in Stafford, Va.

Donavan and **Emily May Russell** have a son, Ethan Donovan, born Sept. 2, 2002. The Russells, who also have a daughter, live in Stephens City, Va.

1998

Samantha A. Comer was appointed town treasurer for New Market, Va., in November 2002. She lives in Shenandoah, Va.



Taylor Lee Slaven

Alison Flory Replogle (see Shawn Flory Replogle, '92).

Jennifer Mattice Hannah and John David have a son, Sean Patrick, born June 5. The family lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

Leah K. Keen and Chad C. Taylor were married Aug. 31, 2002. Leah earned a master of physical therapy degree from the Medical College of Virginia and is a physical therapist at May Physical Therapy. The couple lives in Richmond, Va.

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class **Reid S. Lundie** has recently made port visits to Guam, Hong Kong and Singapore. He is assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson, homeported in Bremerton, Wash.



Lauren Taylor and Ethan Donovan Russell

Jayne Showers Smith and Chad have a daughter, Hayleigh Elizabeth, born Aug. 2, 2002. The family lives in Aspers, Pa.

1999

William J. Beltz and **Courtney M. Quimby** were recently married. The couple lives in Richmond, Va.

Michele Shifflett Carter and E. Keith have their first child, a daughter, Anna Rebecca, born March 10. The Carters live in Mt. Jackson, Va.

Mandi L. Fulk and Todd B. Glendye were married Dec. 21. Mandi teaches fourth grade in the Rockingham County Public Schools. The couple lives in Bridgewater, Va.

Carlos P. Harper and Jessica Arthur were married Feb. 8. Carlos is employed by Valley Bank. The couple lives in Vinton, Va.

This fall, **Amy Rebecca Johnson** began a one-year internship in school psychology with the Culpeper (Va.) County schools.

Jason Jones and Beth Judy were married Oct. 5, 2002. Jason is an adult probation parole officer with the Adult Probation and Parole Office in Staunton, Va. The couple lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

Lynn Lee graduated from the University of Maryland School of Law in May and is a finalist for the Presidential Management Internship Program.

Todd Nieder (see Kim Heatwole Nieder, '97).

Captain Matthew W. Ruff and Holly M. Lively were married April 26. Matthew is a pilot for Chautaugua Airlines. The couple lives in Richmond, Va.

Megan M. Swink and Michael C. Roane were married June 7. Megan is employed by the city of Staunton, Va.

2000

Rachel E. Beers and Joshua A. Mason were married June

28. The couple lives in Boiling Springs, S.C.

Nick Forster is a loan originator for Perimeter Mortgage in Marietta, Ga.

Rebecca H. Froechlich earned a master of social work degree from West Virginia University in June. She is living in Norfolk, Va.

Jennifer L. Huffman and Randy E. Baker III were married March 22. Jennifer is a special education teacher for Rockingham County Public Schools. The couple lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

Aaron Keebaugh of Gainesville, Fla., is pursuing a master's degree in musicology at the University of Florida. In October, he will be presenting a paper at the 2003 Society for Ethnomusicology National Conference in Miami.

Robert J. Rohrer and **Amanda E. Shreckhise**, '01, were married May 10. Robert is a computer programmer with Vesta Holdings, and Amanda is a recruiter with Axiom Staffing Group of Atlanta. The couple lives in Marietta, Ga.

2001

Bill Cieslak has been promoted to factory director with Auction Broadcasting Company and has moved to Grand Rapids, Mich. Auction Broadcasting is the third largest auction chain in the U.S. with seven locations throughout the country.

Elizabeth Harris and **Michael Albright**, '02, were married April 26. Elizabeth teaches art at a middle school in Prince William County, and Mike is a programming consultant for a global position-

ing system company. The couple lives in Manassas, Va.

Aimee Zimmerman Kelly of Frederick, Md., is a third-grade teacher in the Frederick County Public Schools. She and her husband, Jeremiah live in Frederick, Md.

Melissa Kiracofe (see Sean Polson, '95).

Julia Lind and **Ross Bair**, '02, were married July 19. The couple lives in Westminster, Md.

Amanda D. Riggelman and Wesley S. Marshall were married June 28. Amanda is a life management teacher at Kate Collins Middle School. The couple lives in Weyers Cave, Va.

Brandon D. Robinson received a master's degree in history, with a concentration in European history, from James Madison University in May. His thesis was, "The Legacy of the Pragmatic Sanction of 1713: Maria Theresa and Joseph II of Austria and their Letters."

Stephanie Rosheim and **Chris Gregoria**, '02, were married Aug. 3, 2002. The couple lives in Orlando, Fla.

Amanda E. Shreckhise (see Robert J. Rohrer, '00).

Cheryl Jenkins Wakeman and P. J. have their first child, a son, Hunter Joseph, born Nov. 22. The family lives in Edinburg, Va.

Rachael S. Wyant is a marketing specialist with Hush Puppies in Rockford, Mich. In this position, she assists in developing, executing and managing marketing and communication functions for the company's products, which are sold in over 80 countries worldwide. Hush Puppies is a division of Wolverine World Wide, the world's leading maker of casual, work and outdoor footwear.

2002

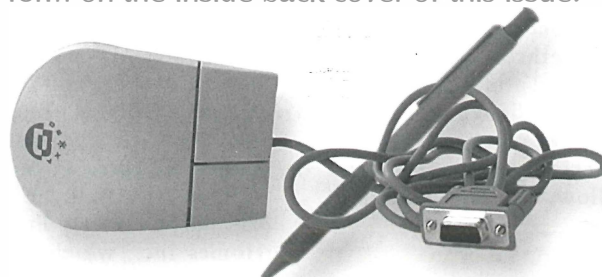
Michael Albright (see Elizabeth Harris, '01).

Ross Bair (see Julia Lind, '01).

Chris Gregoria (see Stephanie Rosheim, '01).

Mary Frances Hardesty and Christopher M. Trimble were married Nov. 16. She is a teacher at North Fork Middle School in Shenandoah County. The couple lives in Harrisonburg, Va. ■

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...memorials

Lenora Harkins Wenger, '29, of Chesapeake, Va., died April 7, at the age of 96. She taught school for many years, and was a writer and church news reporter for *The Virginian-Pilot*. She also helped run the family orchard and vineyard business. A member of Mt. Pleasant Mennonite Church, she taught Sunday school for more than 50 years and led numerous Bible study classes. An avid reader, she read through her favorite book — the Bible — 57 times. She participated in the Chesapeake Jail Ministries.

Frances Rankin Reed, '32, of Fort Defiance, Va., died April 29, at the age of 91. She was a nurse for a family practitioner in Weyers Cave, Va. A member of the Pleasant Valley Church of the Brethren, she served in the Ladies' Fellowship.

Margaret Miller Farrell, '33, of Hollidaysburg, Pa., died May 21, at the age of 91. She was a retired photographer with the Department of the Interior in Washington, D.C. In addition to photography, she enjoyed painting, gardening and traveling.

Arline Marshall Mundy, '33, of Stanardsville, Va., died May 18, at the age of 94. She lived in Harrisonburg, Va., from 1948-99, and taught at Keezletown Elementary School for 30 years. She was a member of the Harrisonburg First Church of the Brethren for more than 50 years. Among her survivors is a daughter, **Maxine Mundy Ritchie, '56**, of Harrisonburg and Yellowstone National Park, Wyo.

Pauline "POLLIE" Garst Kinzie, '35, of Bridgewater, Va., died July 4, at the age of 94. She served as a missionary in India and worked beside her husband, the late William Kinzie, in numerous pastorates. She was a member of the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren. Among her survivors are two sons, **William G. Kinzie II, '60**, of Roanoke, Va., and **John M. Kinzie, '62**, of Richmond, Va.; and a sister, **Nancy Garst Trout, '50**, of Bridgewater.

R. Emory Bowman, '36, of Roanoke, Va., died May 24, at the age of 88. He was retired from General Electric and was a member of Williamson Road Church of the Brethren. He is survived by his wife, Helen. Also among his survivors is a brother, **Harry B. Bowman, '42**, of Roanoke.

Elva Garber Huffman, '39, died May 7, at the age of 87. She was a lifelong homemaker who enjoyed painting. She was an active member of the Dayton Church of the Brethren. Among her survivors are three sons, **Larry Huffman, '64**, of Singers Glen, Va.; **Roger Huffman, '73**, of Pace, Fla.; and **Dr. David Huffman, '76**, of Massanutten, Va.; and two granddaughters, **Shari Huffman Payne, '93**, of Linville, Va., and **Sara C. Huffman**, a senior at Bridgewater College.

Mark Bower, '40, of Pulaski, Va., died June 29, in a multi car/truck accident near Louisville, Ky., while on a trip to Idaho. He was 85. He graduated from the Cincinnati (Ohio) College of Mortuary Science, where he earned a degree in funeral service. In 1970, he purchased Strickler's Funeral Homes Inc., which is now doing business as Bower Fu-

neral Chapels in Pulaski and Dublin, Va. Bower was a licensed funeral director for over 60 years, and in 1994, he received the Golden License presented by the Virginia Funeral Directors Association for 50 years of active funeral service. He served on Bridgewater College's board of trustees from 1950-68, and he was a lifelong member of the Church of the Brethren.

Alice Miller Miller, '40, of Bridgewater, Va., died June 21, at the age of 83. She was retired from teaching in the Fauquier County schools, and was a member of the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren. She is survived by her husband, **Charles W. Miller, '38**, of Bridgewater. Also among her survivors is a daughter, **Nancy Miller Hicks, '67**, of Culpeper, Va.; three sisters, **Vera Miller Hollen, '38**, of Bridgewater; **Mary Ellen Miller Phibbs, '45**, of Glendale, Calif.; and **Kathryn Miller Roche, '53**, of Bridgewater; and three brothers, **Dr. Lawrence Miller, '42**, of Kingwood, W.Va.; the **Rev. Myron Miller, '47**, of Richmond, Va.; and **Charles E. Miller, '48**, of Bridgewater.

M. Willard Miller, '40, of Bridgewater, Va., died April 8, at the age of 88. After attending Bridgewater College, he graduated from Virginia Tech and worked as a county agent for Virginia Agriculture Extension Service. In 1948, he started dairy farming in Spotsylvania County. He served on the Spotsylvania School board for a number of years and was an active member of Zoan Baptist Church. He served on the Virginia Farm Bureau, Virginia State Dairymen's Association and Warrenton Farm Credit Board. He also was chair of the Southern States Regional

board of directors for three years. He is survived by his wife, Josephine. Also among his survivors is a son, **Wayne W. Miller, '70**, of Locust Grove, Va.; two brothers, **Horace Miller, '38**, of Charlottesville, Va., and **Ray Miller, '44**, of Ashland, Va.; and a sister, **Arlene Miller Brown, '35**, of Bridgewater, Va.

W. Bernelle Hill, '42, of Dayton, Va., died May 13, at the age of 82. He served as Quartermaster First Class in the U.S. Navy from 1943-46, and participated in the Normandy Invasion during World War II. He taught at Mount Clinton High School from 1942-43 and 1946-51. In 1951, he became a rural mail carrier, a position he held for 25 years. From 1972-90, he worked as a certified land surveyor for Hill & Shiflet Land Surveying. He was a member of the Clover Hill United Methodist Church, where he taught the Adult Bible Class for 50 years. He is survived by his wife, the former **Dorothy Rodeffer, '41**, of Dayton.

The Rev. Hensil B. Arehart, '43, of Bridgewater, Va., died June 13, at the age of 84. He graduated from Lutheran Southern Seminary and served pastorates in Virginia and Tennessee for 36 years. He is survived by his wife, Nina.

Roy H. Hodge Jr., '47, of Danville, Va., died March 28, at the age of 85. He earned a master's degree from the University of Virginia and was a teacher and principal in the Danville and Bath County public schools for 30 years. He is survived by his wife, the former **Elizabeth Ann Bowman, '46**. Also among his survivors is a daughter, **Ellie Hodge Draper, '72**, of Bridgewater, Va.; and ...continued on page 35

Remembering A Beloved Teacher and Three Life Trustees

A. Olivia Cool, a 1927 Bridgewater College graduate and associate professor of music emerita, died Aug. 2 in Coral Gables, Fla. She was 96.

Cool followed in the teaching footsteps of her late father, **Newton D. Cool**, class of 1897, who was professor of economics, commerce and mathematics at Bridgewater College. She taught at Blue Ridge College before becoming a member of Bridgewater's music department from 1937 to 1940 and again from 1942 until she retired in 1976, teaching music theory and piano. Often she taught more than 60 piano students a week and continued to give private lessons in her home after she retired.

As a professor, Cool set high standards for her students while at the same time showing gentleness and kindness. "After passing Miss Cool's music theory classes, I never again needed to take a theory class, not for my master's degree, not for my doctorate," said Dr. Jesse E. Hopkins Jr., the Edwin L. Turner Distinguished Professor of Music, as he presented her citation for the 1994 Ripples Society Medal.

She was a member of Music Teachers National Association, Music Educators Teachers National Conference, and she served as secretary for the State of Virginia Music Teachers Association. She also was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma Phi and the American Guild of Organists.

In retirement, she continued her close association with Bridgewater

College, attending lyceums, theatre productions, recitals and lectures. In addition to the Ripples Society Medal, Cool was honored by Bridgewater College in 1990 with the Outstanding Service Award.

A member of the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren, she served as pianist and assistant organist. She also



Olivia Cool (left) instructs a student.

was chair of the Music and Worship Commission and taught Sunday school.

After earning a bachelor of arts degree in foreign languages in 1927 from Bridgewater College, she went on to study at the Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore. In 1951, she earned a master of music degree from the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago.

George E. Bryan, a life trustee at Bridgewater College, died June 3, at the age of 81.

He began his business career working several different positions for Wampler Feed and Seed Company. In the early 1960s, Bryan, along with other agribusiness leaders, consolidated several smaller companies into Wampler Foods Inc. When the business merged with Wampler-Longacre Inc., Bryan served as chairman of the board and later as senior vice president. He also was a member of the board of directors, a position he continued to hold during retirement.

Bryan also was a farmer with cattle, sheep and turkey breeder operations in Rockingham and Highland counties. He was a member of the Virginia Turkey Growers Association and served as its president.

He provided guidance for other businesses by serving on the board of directors of the former Harrisonburg Wholesale Grocery. Bryan also was a member of the board of directors of Rockingham National Bank, which became Valley of Virginia Bankshares and later Dominion Bank.

A member of the Bridgewater College board of trustees since 1975, Bryan served on the committee on development and public relations. He was given life trustee status in 1985.

A lifetime member of the Dayton United Methodist Church, Bryan served as a trustee.

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A graduate of Shenandoah University, Bryan served in the U.S. Army as a medical corpsman in the European theater from 1943 until the end of World War II in 1945.

He is survived by his wife, Rosaline, of Dayton, Va. Also among his survivors is a daughter, **Betty Bryan Dove, '68**, of Harrisonburg, Va.

Harvey H. Scott, a life trustee of Bridgewater College, died June 2 in Harrisonburg, Va. He was 90.

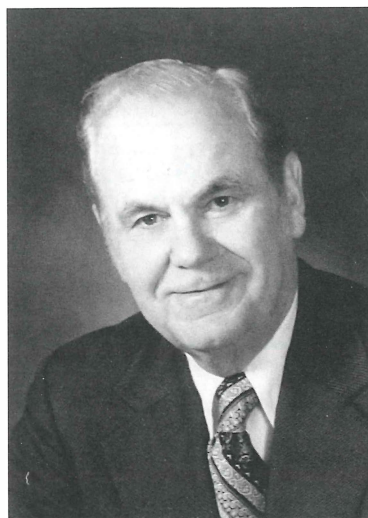
Following graduation from Bridgewater College in 1935, Scott began his business career as plant manager for National Fruit Products Company. In 1941, he joined the staff of the Valley of Virginia Milk Producers Association, serving first as plant manager, then as assistant general manager and from 1965 until retiring in 1989 as general manager and secretary-treasurer.

With over 40 years service in the dairy industry, Scott served in many capacities, including director of the National Milk Producers Federation and president of the Virginia Dairy Products Association. He also served as vice president of the Shenandoah Dairy Council and was director of the Dairy Council of Virginia. Scott also was instrumental in organizing the first unit of the Artificial Breeders of Virginia.

A recognized leader in the community, Scott was a member of the Harrisonburg City School Board for 14 years and served on the Harrisonburg Electric Commission. He served for 25 years as a director of Valley National Bank, later First American Bank. He also was a director of the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce and the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Chamber, and Rockingham Industrial Authority.

He joined Bridgewater's board of trustees in 1969 and served a number of years on the executive committee.

Scott received many awards during his lifetime. In 1980, he received the Virginia Tech Dairy Science Industry Award. In 1984, he was named the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Business Person of the Year. The same year, he received the Virginia Dairy Producers Association and the North Carolina Dairy Producers Association Distinguished Service Award. In 1985, he also



Harvey H. Scott

was presented Bridgewater College's Outstanding Service Award. In addition, Scott was honored with the College's Don Glick Volunteer of the Year Award in 1997.

A member of Cooks Creek Presbyterian Church, Scott served as an elder, was chair of the building campaign and served on the pulpit committee.

His wife of 66 years, the former Mary Sanger, died in August 2002. Among his survivors are two sons, **Charles H. Scott, '65**, and **Robert S. Scott, '73**, both of Harrisonburg; two grandsons, **Stuart H. Scott, '85**, of

Stephens City, Va., and **David H. Scott, '02**, of Harrisonburg; and a brother, **Joseph K. Scott, '35**, of Hagerstown, Md.

Barbara Carter Stone, a life trustee of Bridgewater College, died July 29 in Myrtle Beach, S.C., following complications from heart surgery. She was 76.

She joined the College's Board of Trustees in 1979 and was a member of the committee on development and public relations. In 1998, she was given life trustee status.

Stone, along with her brother, the **Rev. Clyde Carter Jr., '56**, of Daleville, Va., also a Bridgewater trustee, and their mother, Gladys Stone Carter, provided major resources for the renovation of the Carter Center for Worship and Music. The Center is named in honor of this distinguished family. The Stone Prayer Chapel in the Center is named for her maternal grandparents, the late Reed L. and Nancy Bassett Stone. Two seminar rooms — one in the McKinney Center for Science and Mathematics and one in the Carter Center — have been named for Barbara Carter Stone through generous donations by her daughter, Ann Watts Stone Hanes, and her son, Samuel Taylor Stone.

A life-long resident of Bassett, Va., where her family helped found Bassett Furniture Industries, eventually the world's largest manufacturer of wood furniture, Stone was a businesswoman, civic leader and active member of the Bassett Church of the Brethren.

Her husband of 55 years, Claude, died in February of this year. ■

Continued from page 33... a granddaughter, **Jennie Draper, '03**, of Richmond, Va.

Dorothy Smith Byers, '49, of Mount Sidney, Va., died April 30, after an extended illness. She was 75. She worked for Shenandoah Tailoring in Mount Sidney, and in 1993, she retired from Greif and Company in Verona, Va. She was a member of Lebanon Church of the Brethren. She is survived by her husband, Orville. Also among her survivors are two brothers, the **Rev. Carl F. Smith, '43**, of Manassas, Va., and **Kenneth M. Smith, '58**, of Lake Monticello, Va.

Emory G. Eby, '49, of Winchester, Va., died May 19. He is survived by his wife, Helen.

Weldon P. Reeves, '50, of Leesburg, Va., died June 25, at the age of 76. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a principal in the Loudoun County Public School system for 33 years. He was a member of the Leesburg United Methodist Church and was a volunteer with many organizations. He is survived by his wife, the former **Betty Burkholder, '51**. Also among his survivors is a brother, **Robert Reeves, '52**, of Bridgewater, Va.

Wayne S. Bowman, '52, of Richmond, Va., died Oct. 27, 2002. He earned a master's degree from the University of Virginia. He taught English in Henry and Fairfax counties before becoming supervisor of English for the Virginia State Department of Education. Among his survivors is a sister, **Elizabeth Ann Bowman Hodge, '46**, of Danville, Va., and a brother, **Galen E. Bowman, '49**, of Woodbridge, Va.

Klaus G. Wust, '52, of Edinburg, Va., died May 6, at the age of 77. Born in Bielefeld, Germany, he served in the German Navy during World War II, where he was assigned to a transport ship ferrying refugees across the Baltic Sea. As a student at Bridgewater College, he began researching and writing about the contributions that German immigrants made to the Shenandoah Valley. He served as editor of the *Washington Journal*, a German-language weekly newspaper, from 1957-67. He also edited the journal of the Society for the History of the Germans in Maryland through 1992. For many years, he served as official interpreter of German governmental delegations visiting the United States and was assigned to the federal chancellor and president's offices. Wust was one of the originators and founding directors of the Museum of American Frontier Culture in Staunton, Va. He published numerous books and lectured widely. He is survived by his wife, Monique.

Robert L. Cameron, '53, of Berwyn Heights, Md., died April 13, of congestive heart failure. He was 72. For many years, he worked for Sears, becoming one of the store's top salesmen. He was a member of the Strasburg and College Park United Methodist churches. He is survived by his wife, Mary.

Bruce S. Hammer, '53, of Staunton, Va., died June 3, at the age of 72. A U.S. Army veteran, he was employed by McQuay, the former Westinghouse Company of Verona, for 40 years. He also was a greeter with Wal-Mart Super Center. He was a member of St. John's United Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife, the

former **Joyce Shiflet, '56**. Also among his survivors is a daughter, **Teresa Hammer Robson, '80**, of Staunton.

Robert F. Miller, '56, of Broadway, Va., died May 10, at the age of 70. An accountant for the University of Maryland, he retired in 1986 after 30 years of service. He was a member of Linville Creek Church of the Brethren. He played Minor League baseball in the Cardinals organization in Miles City, Mont., and played American Legion baseball for Post No. 60 in Laurel, Md. He was an ASA umpire.

The Rev. Beverly B. Good, '59, of Bridgewater, Va., died June 9, at the age of 65. A graduate of Bethany Theological Seminary, he was a retired Church of the Brethren pastor, having served churches in Augusta (Va.) County and Western Pennsylvania, for 36 years. He loved track and field, both officiating and running, and assisted with many high school and college track events along the East Coast. An active member of the Moscow Church of the Brethren, he recently wrote a history of the church. He is survived by his wife, Janet. Also among his survivors are two brothers, **Carson Good, '64**, of Port Republic, Va., and **Lowell Good, '70**, of Lynn Haven, Fla.

Charles M. Hess Jr., '59, of Harrisonburg, Va., died June 14, at the age of 66. He was a sales manager at Truck and Equipment for 44 years. He was a member of Mount Clinton United Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife, Sandra.

Jerry A. Holsinger, '65, of Petersburg, Va., died May 10, as the result of an ultralight aircraft accident. He was an environmental

protection instructor and specialist at Fort Lee. A licensed private pilot, he had recently completed private glider ratings. He was a member of the Petersburg Pilot's Association, the Experimental Aircraft Association and the Tidewater Soaring Club. He is survived by his wife, Helen. ■

The Band Marches On

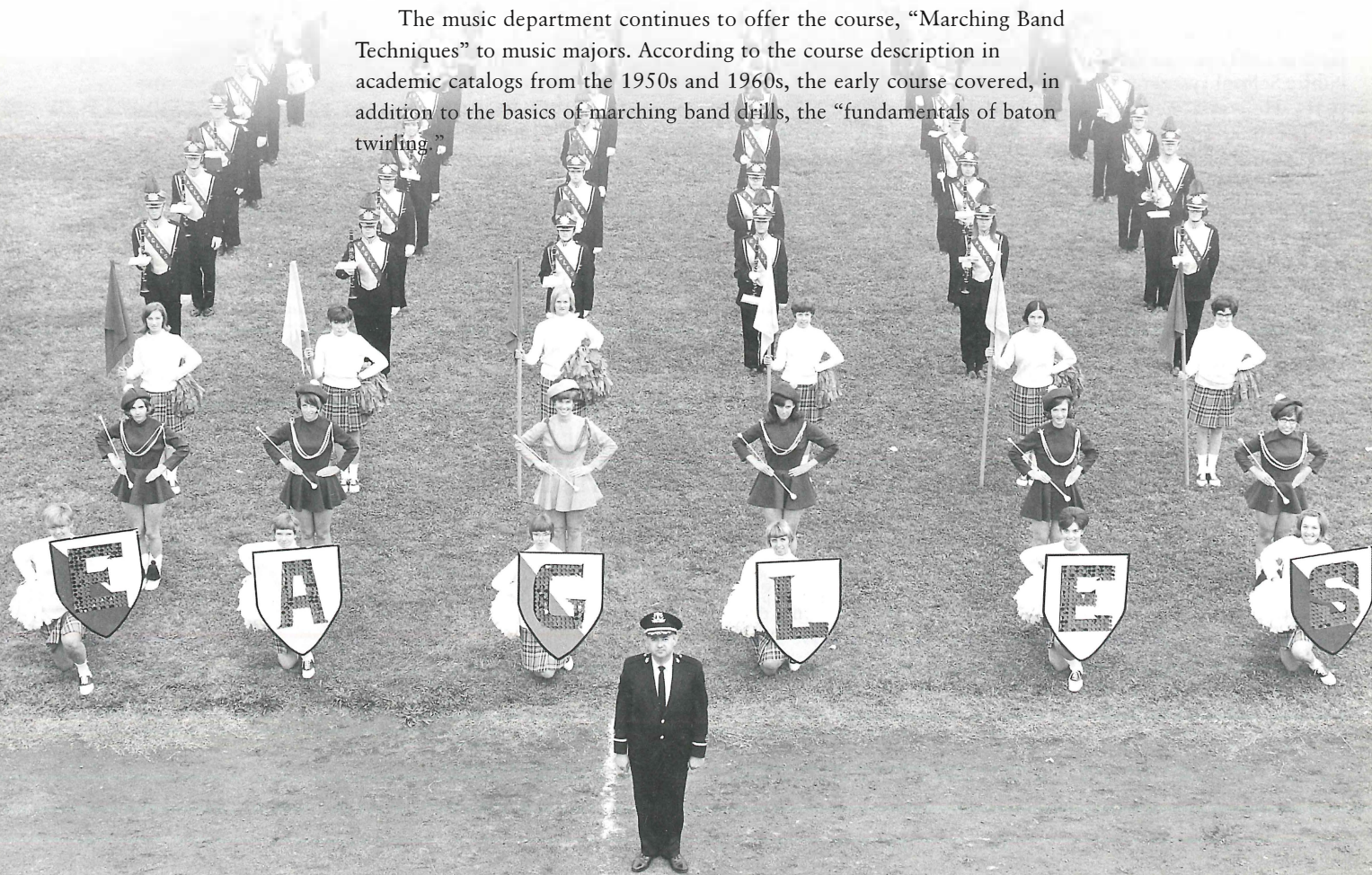
Decades before the Screamin' Eagles Pep Band brought atmosphere to Bridgewater football games, there was the BC Marching Band.

The marching band made its first appearance at the Homecoming football game against Randolph-Macon College on October 28, 1950. The 25-member ensemble, directed by Prof. Paul B. Sanger Jr., sported new band jackets.

In addition to instrumentalists, the band included "shield holders" and majorettes. The band received first-place honors in the Harrisonburg Veterans' Day parade in 1966, '67 and '68. According to the Nov. 18, 1966, edition of the *B.C. Bee*, this was the group's first public appearance, outside of College functions.

Detailed information about the band is scarce in College records, but there are a few who remember the group's existence. Dr. John Barr, professor of organ and piano, emeritus, joined the College faculty in 1968 and recalls early in his tenure a "big flap" among the students over new uniforms, which many didn't want to wear. Shortly after that, along with several faculty changes, the marching band era ended, sometime around 1970.

The music department continues to offer the course, "Marching Band Techniques" to music majors. According to the course description in academic catalogs from the 1950s and 1960s, the early course covered, in addition to the basics of marching band drills, the "fundamentals of baton twirling."





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